Paper Church - Kobe



Year: 1995 Location: Japan

Program: Place of Worship

Status: Completed Type: New-built

Structure: Paper Tube Structure

This community center and house of worship was built on the site of Takatori Church which had been destroyed in the fire following the Kobe Earthquake of 1995. The Paper Church was built within only five weeks by 160 volunteers, assembling the donated materials. The possible reuse of the church was taken into consideration during its design, and the structure was in fact relocated to a disaster area in Taiwan ten years after its construction in Kobe.