

Dear Friends and Family,

In our last newsletter we promised to provide you with details about our future ministry plans after leaving SEND Japan on November 1st (please see schedule on the reverse side). We have greatly enjoyed your partnership with us in reaching the Japanese for Jesus and have seen fruit in the Lord's harvest field.

Several summer camps for different age groups were held at Okutama Bible Chalet. These events presented great opportunities for building friendships, sharing the love of Christ and just having fun. There were many first timers and returnees as well as volunteers from all over the globe. With "Step Forward" as our theme, the campers heard powerful messages that explained the gospel in both English and Japanese.

One woman in the adult camp had heard about Jesus through SEND missionaries 15 years ago. Since then she continued to read the Bible and the LORD was working in her heart. She came to the camp already prepared to hear the Word and committed her life to the LORD. It was a tremendous reminder of how God can bless the seeds faithfully planted and bring forth fruit at the proper time. With joy in her face she was able to look back and see how the Lord had drawn her step by step to Himself.

There were over 50 participants at the first Jr. High Camp and 24 at the second camp where we were involved. The children practiced basic phrases, sang English language songs and honed their conversational skills for four sessions over two days. Getting to know our students and sharing God's love with them was fun and exciting.

We sensed a strong team spirit resulting from the Milbys leadership in Camp no. 1 and Phil and Miko Barkman for the second Camp. In addition to English lessons, there were group sessions with skit presentations and music, featuring a theme song written by Miko and Phil. 13 students made decisions for Christ, 9 of whom had never been to a Christian church. Praise God for these young new believers and please pray that they'll grow strong in their new faith and that they can get settled in healthy churches which will nurture them spiritually.

As you know, our house in Bellevue is currently rented, so when Crossroads Bible Church offered us temporary accommodations at Lake Sammamish upon our return, it came as a welcome surprise. We praise God for this great blessing and for the kindness of Crossroads Bible Church.

We appreciate so much your prayer support, financial gifts, phone calls, care packages, letters, e-mails, cards, love, encouragement, and friendship over the past two years. We won't say "goodbye" to you as our partners in the ministry because our relationship will continue even while we are in America. As expressed by Steve Green in his song, *"To love the Lord our God is the heartbeat of our mission, the spring from which our service overflows, across the street or 'in Japan' the mission's still the same: proclaim and live the truth in Jesus' name."* We'll continue proclaim Christ to the Japanese and all people wherever God leads us and whenever opportunity comes our way.

Thank you once again, and it has been such an honor to be serving God together with you in Japan. The LORD richly bless you!!!

Love from the Dafaos,

David and Becky

We kindly remind you NOT to send any financial support after October 31.



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Each contribution for an approved program will be used as restricted with the understanding that funds received in excess of the amount required will be used where needed most.

Mr. Enomoto's wife



OUR SCHEDULE

November 1st (Sat.) Arrival in the U.S.

November 2nd (Sunday) Visit NHCC.

November 3rd (Mon.) Visit with family.

November 4th (Tues.) Election Day.

November 5th (Wed) Visit with family.

November 6th-8th (Thurs.- Sat.) Visit supporters and friends.

November 9th (Sunday) Visit Meadowdale Church.

November 10th-17th (Mon.- Mon.) Visit Dallas, Texas, [find housing](#).

November 18th-22nd (Tues.- Sat.) Visit supporters and friends.

November 23rd (Sunday) Visit Crossroads Bible Church.

November 27th (Thurs.) Thanksgiving day with our family.

November 25th - 29th (Tues.-Sat.) Visit supporters and friends.

November 30th (Sunday) Visit Trinity Baptist Church.

December 1st - 6th (Mon.- Sat.) Contact movers, do errands, etc...

December 7th (Sunday) Visit NHCC.

December 8th-13th (Mon.- Sat.) Packing/prep. for move to Texas.

December 14th (Sunday) Visit Crossroads Bible Church.

December 15th (Monday) Spend time with family/relatives.

December 16th (Tuesday) Departure for Dallas, Texas and DTS.

January, 2009 - Back to school!

Vacation Bible School

The theme for our three-day VBS at Chuo Church was "knowing God." Our church kids were so enthused learning about God's love, patience and kindness that they invited several of their friends to come. Noriko Arahata retold Luke's account of the prodigal son as children and their parents listened attentively to the story and gospel presentation. Her presentation ended with an invitation to receive Christ, and many followed her in the sinner's prayer. Pictured below is Mr. Enomoto with wife Akemi and son, Hikaru. May God bring conviction to his heart and may his wife and son continue to be a "shining light" and an example of Jesus' love and mercy to him.



VBS children, parents and teachers.



The children had a blast playing suikawari.