

The Johnsons

Missionaries to Japan



June 2017

“Pray without ceasing”

This has been the theme verse for our church in 2017. We have been preaching on prayer, teaching classes about prayer and how to pray. During the month of April and May, we had several special meetings where we were praying especially hard.

The children's Easter party on April 15 was very well attended. We invited children and parents from the English Play Date, as well as some of Timothy's classmates. **Over 20 children and parents showed up for the party.** We played games, sang songs, and ate snacks. Most importantly, I had the opportunity to tell the Easter story. It was the first time some of the kids had ever been in a church or heard about Jesus's death and resurrection, but they listened attentively. Please pray with us that the seeds planted will bear fruit in God's timing.

Near the end of May, we held a violin concert at a local music café. The violinist attends Senri NewTown Baptist Church in Osaka, Japan. We spent the month before the concert passing out flyers and inviting friends. We had 15,000 flyers distributed in the areas surrounding our church. Our church members got involved in helping to pass out flyers, but more importantly, prayed together for God's blessing on the concert. We did not ask for an RSVP so we had no idea how many people would show up for the concert or if any would come at all. People began arriving in a steady stream about 30 minutes before the concert. There were **over 70 people in attendance!** The violinist played and gave his testimony between the songs. Many people commented afterwards that they enjoyed his speaking as well as the playing.

The week after the concert, we had our church Spring BBQ. Murakami Sensei from Grace Kobe Baptist Church came as our special speaker. We had **20 people come**, four of them were second-time visitors, and one was a first-time visitor.

It was very exciting for us as a lady that Sarah has been working with for the past two years **put her trust in Christ.** The following week **one of my classmates made a profession of faith** as well.

We have a young man, Caleb Cajuat, working with us as an intern for the summer. He arrived on June 5, and we put him right to work. We have many exciting things planned for the summer, one of them being an **English Camp July 24-28.** Please keep this event in your prayers!

Praising Him,

Paul, Sarah, Timothy, Karen, Ethan and Joshua Johnson

Paul, Sarah, Timothy,
Karen, Ethan

“From the rising of the sun....the LORD's name is to be praised.” Psalm 113:3

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