

Dear Friends,

Summer has arrived in Osaka. We are experiencing 90° weather with lots and lots of humidity...making for some very warm days and nights. When you wake up sweating, you know it's hot!! The boys only have a few weeks of school left before summer vacation. Noah hopes there won't be any school in Heaven. I can't help but hope the same thing for him. The boys work very hard staying at the same level as their Japanese schoolmates and studying English too. Sometimes I am not sure if I could handle the workload.

I continue to have English Bible study with Sawada san every Thursday afternoon. Her daughter and Elijah play, while Sawada san and I study the Bible. Sawada san lived in England for a year and that is where she first experienced the gospel and Jesus. Her desire is to know more about Christianity. She has wonderful questions and observations as we study God's character and Jesus' life. I believe God's Spirit is speaking to her and moving her. Please pray for her as she continues to seek truth and to understand our faith in Jesus Christ. Please pray for me as I prepare each week that the Spirit would speak through me and teach me what He wants me to teach her. Pray that I will have a clear understanding of the passages so that I may teach her well.



Paul continues to be very busy with many responsibilities, and yet, he was able to help coach a neighborhood kids' kickball tournament. What a great time to be with our community, getting to know parents and kids. Paul did a great job teaching the kids about sportsmanship, believing in oneself, and having fun. By the end of the day, even the shiest little first and second grade girls were able to boldly kick the ball and run with all their might to first base. It was great!

Please keep these events in your prayers: July 10 will be our church BBQ; pray that family and friends would come and enjoy having fun together. Our English Café is the second Sunday of every month; pray for continued contact in the neighborhood. July 23-24 will be the Hi-b.a. summer camp; pray that the High School students' faith will continue to grow and be enriched through this experience. August 3-5 will be our all-day VBS (Safari) with homework help for Elementary students; pray that we will be a blessing for the neighborhood and that all the details would fall into place. August 7-9 will be the JBC Youth camp; pray for many to participate and grow in their faith.

Thank you for your faithful prayers!

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"When we think that God cannot or will not help us, we leave ourselves wide open for fearsome results. However, when we are convinced that God's power is greater than any evil that could befall us, we can live with confidence and hope."

A. Philip Parham

Please remember to check out the NAB web site for the new special projects lists.

Praise:

- *Our opportunities to serve in our community: Kids Club, Kickball tournament, and speaking to all the fifth grade classrooms about America.
- *Bible study times with Shan and with Sawada san.
- *Meeting a new couple; who came to church through Shan's invitation.
- *Carol Potratz has arrived safe and sound.
- *Opportunities of fellowship with missionaries and pastors.

Prayer:

- *Safety for the boys as they participate in various overnights through school and soccer.
- *That we would be able to have a good time of relaxation as we take a short vacation in August camping with friends.