

August brought bittersweet moments into our lives. Both tears of joy as we start a new phase of life and tears of sadness as we say goodbye to those we love. Grace Baptist Church in Saint Charles, Missouri has been our home for the last eight years. It's the only place our children know to go on Sundays. People there have had us over into their homes, been in our home, shared holidays with us, prayed with us, taught our children, ministered alongside us, held us accountable, and equipped us to be more effective ministers of the gospel. We love you and are already missing you, Grace Baptist Church!

We praise the Lord for Tim's ordination! This was part of our church's missions conference week. We were also able to share our burden for the Japanese people with our church family once again. Our missionaries Jim and Amy Smith to Japan were able to come and be a part of the services. It was such an encouraging week! We want to say thank you to Pastor Kevin and all of our church for being such a great sending church as we start the deputation process.

Deputation is now our new phase of life. We have been sent out to go as missionaries to Japan but we must first have the prayer and financial support to get there and sustain our church planting ministry. Twenty-one thousand Japanese people die each week not knowing about Jesus. We are so eager to go! Japanese people need to hear about Jesus today! We are looking for churches to partner with us in this great commission endeavor. Please pray for churches to partner with us! Please pray that we would find our supporting churches as quickly as possible.

We are looking forward to traveling to Canton, Ohio this month. We have the opportunity to give our testimonies and share our burden for the Japanese people with the pastors that associate with our missions agency. This is also when we are officially approved as BBFI missionaries. Please pray that we glorify God in the process and that everything goes smoothly.

Our other major prayer request would be for our home to sell. It has been up on the market now for almost two months. We want it to sell so we can give our full attention to the ministry. Church planting among a people group that is 99.7% unbelieving is more important than holding onto anything this world has to offer.

Thank you so much for supporting our ministry this month!

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We are blessed to be commissioned as missionaries to Japan by our sending church.



Our missionary friend Jim Smith preached the charge at the ordination service.

