

God hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; that they should seek the Lord... Acts 17:26

Do you see the sovereign hand of God at work when you meet a person from another country? Since our last letter God arranged for us to meet several Japanese people. How cool is that! Shin is a Japanese young man studying abroad here in the USA. Terumi is a Japanese lady that has moved here. We were able to share why we are going to Japan with both of them. It is a misunderstanding to think that we are not ministering because we are busy raising support in the USA. We are ministering both to Americans and Japanese alike! Your monthly partnership with us makes this possible.

I'd like to share a little about Terumi. Like most Japanese families, hers has a Buddhist ancestry. However, her parents became dissatisfied with Buddhism and searched for a different religion. She ended up coming to the United States where she heard the gospel and believed. We praise God that he brought her to the United States for that purpose, but most Japanese people will never come to the United States. And in Japan most will never hear the gospel a single time.

The Lord brought us one step closer to taking the gospel to unreached people in Japan since our last newsletter. Before we can take the gospel to Japan there are several milestones that need to be accomplished.

The first milestone that needed to be accomplished was to partner with a mission service center that could help us process mail and donations. The Baptist Bible Fellowship International has a wonderful service center that will serve us in this way. On September 19 we were officially approved by the pastors of the Baptist Bible Fellowship International and joined their family of missionaries raising support to plant churches in Japan.

The second milestone that still needs to be accomplished is giving churches the opportunity to financially partner with our ministry on a monthly basis. Since our last newsletter we were privileged to present our ministry to the following churches:

- Adiel Baptist Church, Frankford MO
- Bible Baptist Church, Camdenton MO
- Bible Baptist Church, Republic MO
- Abundant Life Baptist Church, Troy MO
- Shooting Park Road Baptist Church, Peru IL
- First Baptist Church, Bridgeview, IL
- Kishwaukee Baptist Church, Rockford IL
- Talking Rock Road Baptist Church, Branson West, MO

Some of these churches are considering helping us accomplish our second milestone by financially partnering with us on a monthly basis. Please pray for them to glorify God in whatever they decide to do. Also please continue to pray for our house to sell.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support this last month!

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Kevin Kolb -- our sending pastor -- presenting us for approval to the pastors of the Baptist Bible Fellowship International.



A bench outside of First Baptist Church, Bridgeview, IL.



Timothy, Jenelle,
Simon, Isaac, & Elisha