

Japanese Missions May 2011

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Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord



Communicating Christ with People in Japan

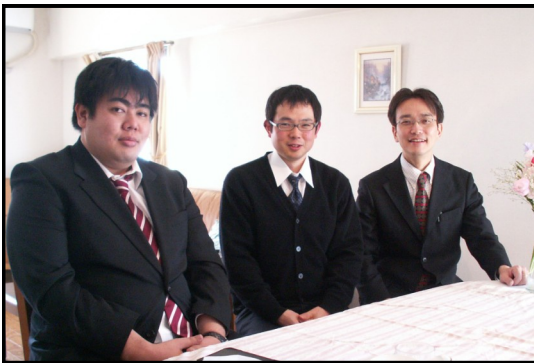
Sowing Precious Seed of the Gospel

See that ye abound in this grace also

Many good things are happening in this mission field. God's people are growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To the Lord be glory both now and for ever. We had our 2nd annual **Faith Promise Missions Conference**. Missionary Pastor Koyo Fukuda (pictured in the middle) was the guest speaker and reporter from his mission work. It was great encouragement to learn of his faithful work and its progress. Our members studied on Grace giving during this period and committed to give to missions over above their regular offerings. They promised to give 50% more than last year. I am grateful to know God's people abound in Grace giving.

Bro. Oba preached his 1st sermon

Brother Oba (pictured left) preached his 1st sermon at this mission on the last Sunday of May. He is a freshman at



Japan Missionary Baptist Seminary and eager to preach. He works part time to make his living. He reported to me that he had witnessed to co-workers there. He demonstrates good progresses in his life. I challenged him to work on a project during his seminary training period. He decided to study Acts of the Apostles. He preached from Acts chapter 1. Please, continue praying for him.

Members reach out to people

Our members are **sowing precious seed of the Gospel**. Right now, we are distributing our invitation brochures (tract) to communities where we

have not done for a long time, with hopes to discover new prospects. This move is important to us, because we must willingly practice evangelism. Some members responded to this challenge of helping to get the Word out. Thankfully, we recently had a family of four, Mr. Watanabe's family, visiting our worship service. This is an answered prayer! Please, pray for their continual attendance, salvation and participation in this work.

Church Fellowship is developing

We held our annual church picnic at a city park in May. (pictured below) Though participants were fewer than usual, we had a meaningful time together. We worshiped the Lord outdoors. Other people in the park watched what we were doing - praising, praying, listening to God's word. We enjoyed eating lunch together. Children had fun playing. Adults enjoyed a lot of talks over cups of coffee. Christ centered fellowship is developing at this mission work.



Prayer Requests

1. Salvation of lost people.
2. Baptism of non-members.
3. New Prospects.
4. Evacuees & Nuclear Plants Solution.
5. U.S. Currency & JPN Yen Exchange Rate.
6. Summer Church Activities

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support!