



Tomoka Christian Church in Ormond Beach, FL sent Julian, Justin, and Cindy to help multiply our ministry efforts for 10 days. They helped us receive and distribute eight boxes filled with relief supplies from their church to those in need in Fukushima.

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We Come In The Name of The LORD

We were blessed to have hosted our first short-term missions team this month. They did *everything* from volunteering at vacation Bible camp, helping us move into our new apartment, leading worship, sharing testimonies, handing out Bibles, mowing the lawn, and giving massages to those hurting from the tsunami. They got to experience what being a missionary in Japan is all about. It's not easy being flexible all the time, but when we realize how limited our time to do the Lord's work is, we gain a fresh perspective and motivation to press on.

Two of the days were spent in Fukushima prefecture. One particular highlight was meeting other Kingdom workers: some young, some old, some from the States, and many from around Japan all with the same contagious passion for seeking the lost and proclaiming the Risen Lord. Another highlight was getting to have lunch with Kazuto Furuya, a Japanese English teacher in Iwaki. He is very close to committing his life to Christ, and it is our desire to continue to minister to him. We were also asked to pray for the employees of the hotel in Kita Ibaraki where we volunteered. Though there are long days, we never tire of this kind of work. We are witnessing revival among firsttime believers, seasoned missionaries, and Japanese pastors thanks to the orchestrated effort of the Holy Spirit.



We spent a day tearing up wood flooring and mixing concrete to repair a foundation at a hotel in Kita Ibaraki.

Galatians 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.



A young Japanese boy was inspired to dance by our street performance of guitar and ukulele. His parents were happy to receive a Bible tract.



Akira presents a seika (hymnal) for singing during the offering.



Haruo Takasaki runs a bathhouse in Iwaki and is close to making a decision for Christ. This is a fun video of us praising God together.



Thanks to a mutual connection to Yomiuri Giants player Alex Ramirez, we enjoyed a baseball game at Tokyo Dome along with Pastor Nishioka from our church in Karuizawa. He was the only one cheering for the opposing team in what ended as a tie game.



Shingo and his sister Nanami pose with Eriya Ohuchi, a well-known Japanese Christian athlete who's been volunteering at Global Mission Center. Nanami was among the first group Ellissa and Garry shared the gospel with 4 months ago, and we rejoice in their family's regular involvement in this Christian community. Pray that the whole family would come to a saving relationship with the LORD.

Prayer and Praises

We finished moving into our new apartment and have started meeting our neighbors. Please continue to pray we are able to develop strong friendships through which we might lead people to Christ.

We've completed our initial 2-year language study, but now the hard part comes - self-study. Pray for discipline and opportunities to practice with many language partners.

Thanks to a grant from IDES, we are now receiving additional financial and prayer support to ensure Christian-based relief efforts continue longterm in the earthquake-affected Tohoku region. Praise God!

During the next couple of weeks, we'll be submitting our ministry plan for approval by our leadership team. God has given us a multi-faceted vision on how He will bring about a church planting movement. Pray that it be well received.

Pray for the Tsunehisa family. Garry had a chance to witness to Mr. Tsunehisa who's open to learning more about the Christian faith.

From Team Expansion's President Doug Lucas

Dear Fellow-Helper,

Yesterday, I made my annual pilgrimage back to the Jackson County 4-H Fair in Southern Indiana. Each year, on Wednesday of Fair Week, my mother and I meet for the 1pm cooking demonstration. This year, we never actually connected by phone to confirm things. I admit, as I walked past seemingly endless cow barns and exhibit buildings, I felt just a *tad* of anticipation. But, as I rounded the corner by *St. Peter's Taco House*, I spied her sitting there in the exact same seats where we always meet. And the same could be said for the faithful supporters of the work of Team Expansion. For example, in my case, when I see an envelope from Andover, Burlington, or Shively, my mind goes back to all the times those churches (and others too) have faithfully *shown up*, even though things have sometimes been tough. Yesterday, I hugged my mom and said, "Thanks for coming." Today, I'm thankful for you, for the faithful prayers and support you send to all of Team Expansion, to your favorite Team Expansion missionary, and to unreached people around the globe. May God bless you, now and in the weeks to come.



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Charles Spurgeon

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