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“seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” (Matt. 6:33) This was the teaching of Jesus that taught us not to worry about tomorrow, but trust in the Lord and depend on His provision. Although we might understand the meaning of the text, God wants me to experience it. He not only provides for our daily need, but more importantly, He promised to save us from our sins, and give us eternal life. We cannot earn our salvation, nor make God love us more than He already did. His love is unconditional, and it was because God’s love compels us to take a risk for His kingdom. Indeed, the journey to becoming a missionary and serve Him in a foreign land a risking business. However, it is not a purposeless or crazy choice, because Christ is worthy for us to give Him all. This is what seek God’s kingdom and righteousness mean. There are many unreached people group who haven’t heard of the gospel, nor have saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, especially in Japan, the second largest unreached people group in the world. We desire to see God’s kingdom and righteousness, which is the gospel, be preach and take root in Japan, where millions of gods were worshiped. We hope to see one day, Japan can become a major force in global mission work, so we trust and obey God’s calling and take on this new adventure for our life. A few years ago, I read a book by John Piper, Risk is Right, if you still wonder how to live for God, I encourage you to read this book you can find it online for free Desiringgod.org/books/risk-is-right

Over the past month, I was struggling with worry. From applying for new insurance, finding a new rental place, selling the house, school transfer and so on. I was anxious with all the wait, and trouble by much tedious paper works. Later in the month, our house escrow value was lower than the market value, so the price has to drop. I was worry about if we have enough saving to go through this. On top of that, our mission partner development progress was slow, I was asked by some people, what happen if we cannot raise enough fund? My mood was like a roller coaster, up and own. Nevertheless, God is always patient with us and shows much mercy to us, and carry us through this time. I understand that being a missionary, a strong faith in the Lord is necessary. Question is, how does one’s faith grow? We cannot see faith, it is a spiritual quality in a person’s life. It is hard for us to design a way to increase or practice our faith. God prepares the way and put us in there to train us, so our faith can grow little by little. Although mission to Japan is difficult, raising fund for the mission is difficult, changing the environment and learning a new culture, language is difficult, raising children is a constantly changing situation is difficult, there are countless difficulties in mission journey, yet we have a mighty God, nothing is impossible with Him. Let us trust in Him and boldly follow His calling.

- April Vision trip www.chang4japan.org/vision-trip-Eng.html
- Mission budget sharing
<http://www.chang4japan.org/financial-report-english.html>
- New Telephone: 626-615-5988
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Japanese traditional farm house

Family update:

- We experience many changes in June, yet we thank the Lord for giving us many opportunities to share the mission vision to Japan. We visited 3 churches and 5 fellowships, about 20+ brothers, and sisters give to one-time mission fund. Several churches are considering to support us long-term. Praise the Lord.
- Abigail has turn three. Praise the Lord for taking care of her. Every night when we pray, she will want to pray first, although she probability doesn't understand that well, looking at her growth we are all very happy.
- Since we move, Caleb needs to change school. However, He would like to stay in the original school, so we must apply for transfer for him, sadly it was rejected at first. We appeal to the school district again, explain to them our situation, thank the Lord, they approve Caleb to "transfer" back to the original school, but only for one year. We thank God for providing for us and seeing Caleb's growth. He began to ask me some theological questions, I enjoy helping him going through some "theological inquiry" while we read the Bible, it was fun.
- We started to learn some Japanese, I have found a online learning program, with a reasonable price, thank God for the Internet. I function as a TA, to help Jennifer and Caleb learn some basic Japanese. Please pray for us, so we can have the perseverance to learn every day.
- Currently, I have at least one preaching invitation per month at a different church from July up to October. We are looking for more opportunities. If your church, fellowship or church that you know is interest in knowing more about the mission to Japan. Please help us connect, we would love to visit and share the spiritual need of Japan with your church. (I can preach in Mandarin or English, I can do short-talk in Taiwanese)

Praise and Prayer:

- Praise the Lord, the house finally sold. We will have enough saving to go through this year of preparation. We invite you to pray for us, so we can be fully funded and ready to be sent out by June of 2018. May God open more doors for us to share the spiritual need in Japan.
- Prayer 1) August we are going to North-Cal to share with 2 churches, pray for travel safety. 2) WorldVenture provides us an online training to help us better educate our children in cross-culture context. We will be taking this training online, later this year. 3) We will be going to Portland Oregon for a three-week cultural adoption training.

Partner development progress:

- Praise the Lord, our **monthly budget have reach 35%, one-time budget have reach 50%**
- Many people asking me, what do we need the most now? We sincerely invite you to consider becoming a long-term financial partner. Although we still need one-time support, we need more long-term partner, because a long-term partnership sustain our ministry in Japan. We believe even if the giving is as small as \$20 per month, it will bring lasting impact.
- For example, there are about 500 people receiving our prayer letter now, if 300 people can gives \$30 per month, we will reach the goal.
- In order to help people understand how the budget work and how it will be use, we prepare a webpage with all the detail, feel free to take a look and contact us if you have any questions.
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How to become mission partner:

- If you would like to support us long-term, you may do so by going to www.worldventure.com/chang4japan then click **Give** and then click **start or modify a commitment**. If you live outside of the USA, please select XX on state.
- If you would like to support us one-time, you may do so by going to www.worldventure.com/chang4japan then click **Give** and then click **Special donation** if you live outside of the USA, please select XX on state.
- You can also send a check (US Or Canadian check only) to Worldventure, please make payable to

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and at memo write #275 Send the check to

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Note: All currency is in US dollar, so please convert the right number, before you input your desire donation.