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"They (we) were strangers and exiles on the earth." Heb.11:13b (ESV) The path of following Jesus is not like "tourism" but a "journey". What is the different between these two? Although both travel to a distance place,

tourism is only touching the surface without going too deep, whereas a journey will most likely change you. Because a journey requires you to dig deeper into the place and people you going to visit, the journey invites you to experience and to understand. Faith journey in Jesus is similar, it requires us to dig deeper. Our Lord has the same desire for all His follower, that is to make us more like Christ. "To be conformed to the image of his Son" (Rom. 8:29) Are you a tourist or a traveler in the faith journey of God? May we all humbly follow the Lord, so we can set our course for Heaven.

Status Update:

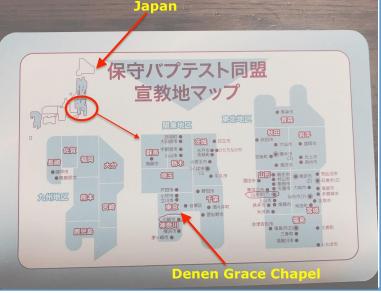
 We finally entered the real final countdown! Praise the Lord, on June/29 we have received all three documents for Japan visa application and green-card reentry permit. Now we can formally apply for missionary visa. We set our departure date on July/16. Thank you all for praying for us. God's time is always perfect.



From July/2 until July/7 we will be going to Colorado, attending Worldventure 75 anniversary celebration retreat. Praise the Lord, 75 years ago, He called a group of pastor to pray for the war and the need in the world. From this prayer gathering, God called them to form this mission organization. Wv also enters into Japan mission 70 years ago, plant many churches and continue to serve in Japan. We are glad that the Lord leads us to join this mission family. Please continue to pray for the spiritual revival in Japanese churches. We will be serving at Denen Grace Chapel, and support a new church plant which about to happen soon.



June/25 not only is Abigail's four years old birthday, it is also the date that I received notice from a Japanese worker that our document was passed. This is not only the best anniversary but also the great gift was given to us by the Lord. The last few weeks of June are the moments when we say goodbye to our church friends. We will miss you all and the life we have in the United States. May the Lord bless each and every one of you. Thank you for your care and prayer support.



Praise and Prayer:

• Over the past 3 weeks, God is teaching me to wait and trust Him again. When I received no words from all the travel documents application early June, I was a bit worry. Another thing that worried me was our financial status. After some data update, we found out that we are about \$300~400 per month short to reach 100%. My little faith was shaken and worry. God is gracious to me, one day when I am doing devotion, God show me His word "I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ" (Philip. 1:6) God will finish what He started. I need to rest in His hand, so I pray and ask the Lord to show me a sign. He is so merciful to me, in about 2 days I received the first important documents. After another week on 6/25, I received a notification from a Japanese worker saying that our document (from Japan immigration) was passed. All glory and praise to the Lord!

Financial Status:

- ⇒ We thank God, after almost a year and a half of sharing and support raising, there are now 8 churches and 56 individuals who have committed to long-term support. There are also 4 churches, and 111 individuals who have given a one-time donation. If it weren't for everyone's prayer and commitment, we couldn't reach the goal and thank everyone again. The Lord will commemorate your sacrifice.
- ⇒ Our mission agency calculates the commitment donation quarterly. If the committed donor stop giving, then our percentage will decline, so that the difference will adjust our salary and ministry fund. If the percentage falls too much, we may need to return to the United States to raise more support. So if you have written a commitment form, but have not begun to give, we recommend that you begin your donation in July or August. A one-time donation is mainly used for training or equipment. It usually will not be included in our salary or ministry expenses. Therefore, we suggest that if the Lord calls you to support us long-term, please do the commitment donation, regardless of the amount.
- Recently, our financial system went through data update, we found out that we are still short of about \$300-\$400 a month. That is, if 20 people can contribute \$20 a month or current committed donor can increase \$20 a month, then we can have more stable and long term mission fund. A cheerful giver is what the Lord pleases. We absolutely respect your personal decision. If the Lord moves you, we sincerely invite you to partner with us financially.

Contact us

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