

**“our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,” (Philippians 3:20)**

People often ask me where I come from, well this has not been a simple answer for me. I grew up in Taiwan, and my nationality was New Zealand, and now I live in Japan, but the country where I have lived the longest (among all the places I have been live in) is the United States. Thankfully, I was finally naturalized in September this year and became a US citizen. Some people ask me why do I become a US citizen? One of the primary reasons is for the sake of a long-term mission. Because after becoming American citizens, we can enter and leave the United States freely, and we are no longer restricted and can only leave the United States for short-period of time. There is a new way of asking among the missionaries circle, like “What is your passport country?” Because many missionaries’ nationality and their ethnicity and/or serving country are all different. For example, I met a Korean who serves in Indonesia, but he holds a US passport. Why it is hard for me to answer this question? because I have three citizenship. Where is my home? I have no idea. This verse is a good reminder for people who are not settling in any place that our eternal citizenship is in heaven. We are citizens of heaven. This world is temporal, and we are all foreigners, sojourners. As Christian, we know our life purpose is to live for Jesus. How do we live for the Lord in this short-among of time? This is a constant conversation we have with the Lord. May God lead us and find us faithful in the calling which He gave us. Let us run and desire for the heavenly home, and let us delight on the day when we can see our Savior face to face.

**Ministry update**

- On the coming of Thanksgiving, I like to thank the Lord for providing a fruitful trip in the last two months. Although this trip was not planned, I need to return to the state by myself because I was notified by US immigration to attend the naturalization interview and oath ceremony. I return to the US around the end of August and come back to Japan on Oct/30. Jennifer had to take care of the kids by herself for two months. It was a challenging time for her. Thank you all for your prayer and care.
- Since the pandemic in the United States has been eased a lot, I have several opportunities to meet people physically, and I also got to share with some churches. Thank you all so much for your hospitality. Here are some of the photos I like to share. It was unfortunate that I didn't take pictures with everyone I had met this time. I wish I have taken more photos.





### Ministry update

- On October 31st, Jennifer held a mini-harvest festival event in our house. Since the pandemic has eased in Japan, we can do this event physically. This is the first physical event we have had since the pandemic. Thank the Lord, and there were 17 children and 11 parents attending the event. Our colleague also came to help us. We praise the Lord for the wonderful teamwork and enjoyable outreach event.
- Please pray that we can continue to build up these relationships so that we can share the gospel with them.



### Praise and prayer request:

Caleb on Train



- Caleb begins his new school on Aug/24. He had to go to school by himself. It was a new challenge for him. Although his previous school also needs to take about 60-70 mins of the train, the direction is different this time, and the total travel time one way is 80-90 mins, and he needs to pass through central Tokyo, which is more complicated. In the past 3 months, he has taken the wrong trains several times but thank God for His protection. Nothing serious happened. He is able to find his way to school, and he only got late a few times. Please pray for him. May the Lord continue to strengthen him.
- Another need is since the church we serve does not have a youth group, we pray that the Lord will provide some Christian friends for him. Would you please pray that the Lord will enable us to guide him in his spiritual growth and provide him with some Christian friends?
- Abby continues to attend the local school. Although she had some improvement overall, her Japanese ability is still not enough, so she is falling behind on many things. Due to the pandemic, their annual sports day reduce a lot. Only one parent is allowed to attend and only observe the activity to each grade. Abby was so nervous, but afterward, she was happy, thanks to the Lord.
- Thank you for your prayer. The response to the harvest festival is excellent. On Thanksgiving, we plan to invite more Japanese friends to have a thanksgiving meal, and Jennifer also plans to hold more outreach activities in December (decorating Christmas cookies/gingerbread house) so that we can build relationships and share God's love through these activities.
- Please pray that the Lord will open more doors for us to share God's love with them.



Abby school sports day

### Financial Update

- Due to inflation and budget increase in some categories from the head office, starting from 2022, **we will be short of \$350-400 monthly support.** If the Lord leads you to partner with us financially, please visit the following website to start a donation account or increase your giving. Thank you so much for your partnership. <https://www.worldventure.com/chang4japan>
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