July 2018

Update:

The past few months have been full of traveling, presenting, packing, and blessings. It has been great seeing God work in so many ways. We presented in many states, including Pennsylvania, Maryland, Michigan, Texas, Georgia, North Carolina, and Tennessee. We are thankful for all of your prayers and support for us as we have traveled and prepared to leave for Japan. Without them we could not do what God has called us to do.

In May we saw many churches take us on for support, as well as, many opportunities to present the gospel. Our visa permissions, also, came back at the beginning of the month. This was a big blessing and we thank the Lord for how quickly this process went. After the visa permissions arrived we were able to purchase our tickets to Japan for July 3. It is exciting to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

June was a very busy month. While having meetings in North Carolina and Georgia, we traveled between Texas and Tennessee for our Exit Interview with BIMI and to apply for our actual visas at the Embassy in Nashville. Praise the Lord that all went well with both. We then made our way to Michigan for a farewell service at my wife's home church, First Baptist Church of Bridgeport, Michigan, with Pastor Ouellette. My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed our time there as it was our last time to be with her family before leaving for Japan. We made our way to Texas to spend time with my family and finish up all of the packing and send our stuff to Japan.

As I am writing this letter, we have arrived in Japan safely and want to thank all of you for your prayers. God took care of us, all of our luggage made it with us, and we are very grateful for the Lord's protection.

Prayer Requests:

Over the next few weeks we will be getting settled in Japan. We will finalize on our apartment and furnish it. This consist of a lot of things and we are praying that it goes smoothly. We will be registering for Language School. We appreciate your prayers as we begin our studies here. We are excited for our first service at Sannomiya Bible Baptist Church and beginning to serve there. Please pray that we can be a blessing to the church during our time here. Once, again thank you for all of your prayers. We look forward to letting you know how our first few months in Japan have gone.

Striving together, James, Rebekah, and Joshua Scott Missionaries to Japan