

Scott Family Missionaries in Japan



Dear Pastor and Praying friends,

September 2025

It has been a wonderful couple of months on furlough. One of the joys we have as missionaries is traveling to update our supporting churches about all the Lord has done over the past few years. Another great joy is seeing what the Lord is doing in and through those same churches. I praise the Lord for all He has done! The verse that comes to mind as I reflect on these past months is, "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes." (Psalm 118:23)

In July, we had many wonderful meetings from Texas up to Kansas. After finishing a meeting at Old Fashioned Baptist Church in Independence, Kansas, we had unexpected car trouble. What was meant to be a one-day trip turned into four, but God used it. While waiting at AutoZone, I had the opportunity to talk with a young man for over an hour. He had once been a faithful member of a Baptist church but drifted away after moving to Kansas. Please pray that he returns to church. After returning to Texas, I was able to go out soulwinning with our home church, Joshua Baptist Church, where I met a kind lady who had been searching for a church. She has been attending faithfully ever since, and her husband has begun coming with her. We praise the Lord for what He is doing in their lives.

In August, we traveled to Michigan to be with my wife's family. A goal of this furlough has been to allow Rebekah and the children to spend as much time as possible with her father, who was diagnosed with dementia earlier this year. Because of this, I have been traveling alone to many meetings while they stay in Michigan. I've been in churches across the East Coast, from South Carolina to Pennsylvania, and the Lord has blessed every trip. Thank you for your prayers as I travel.

On October 16th, our family will return to Japan to continue the church plant. We've enjoyed our time in the States, but we are eager to be "home" again. Please pray for our first event after returning—the Apple Party on November 1st. It is one of our best-attended activities, and we would greatly appreciate your prayers. We also have a couple of personal prayer requests. In August, I found out I have some issues with my back and have been seeing a chiropractor in Michigan. Because of the heavy snow in northern Japan, we are praying for God to provide a snowblower for our home. Please pray with us about this need. If you have any questions please let me know.

Lastly, the Lord has opened a unique outreach opportunity. Many friends have expressed a desire to come to Japan to help with the church plant, and I always say, "Come on over!" But for those unable to travel, this is another way to help reach souls in Hirosaki. One of the most-read publications in our area is a weekly newsletter filled with local articles, ads, and coupons. I am able to include a full-color church flyer in this bundle and have it hand-delivered to homes across the city. For \$50, we can print and distribute 1,000 church invitations directly to families in Hirosaki. If the Lord leads, would you prayerfully consider helping us reach our city with the Gospel in this way? (If you choose to give toward this outreach, you can simply designate your gift as "Flier Distribution.") We would be so grateful for your prayers, and for any part you may have in getting God's Word into homes where it has never gone before. Thank you for all of your prayers and support for our family. We deeply appreciate you and look forward to the next update.

Striving together, James, Rebekah, Joshua, Lily, and Daisy Scott

Praises:
Safety for travels
Family faithfully attending church

Prayer Requests: Return to Japan Apple Party-Nov 1st Snowblower Opportunities:
Help reach Hirosaki! For \$50, we can print and deliver 1,000 church fliers to homes across our city.
(Designate as "Flier Distribution" if giving.)

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