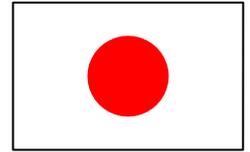


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“Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.” (Luke 6:47-48)

We thank the Lord for nine visitors that came from nearby cities for our Resurrection Sunday service. I preached about the events associated with the crucifixion along with the resurrection account. The Sunday School kids all heard the plan of salvation and we pray that those unsaved will open their hearts to receive Jesus as their Saviour. Please pray for: Yuichiro (9), Yoshiro (7), Zydee (10), Aichi (6), Akira (4), David (6), Daniel (4)

We also had a baby dedication service for one of our families. Emanueli, 5 months old, was dedicated to the Lord. She has three older brothers who were dedicated to the Lord a few years ago. Then another family in our church mentioned they would like to have their daughter dedicated to the Lord also. So we are thankful to see more families desiring to raise their children according to God's word.

A young Filipina named Faith has brought her friend, Kazu, to church on various occasions. Kazu believes that Jesus was not crucified, but it was Jesus' brother who was crucified on the cross. We had never heard this before, but after investigation we found out that in Aomori prefecture, on northern Honshu island, there is a place called "Kirisuto no sato kouen" (Christ's country park), and according to their account Jesus (Iesu) came to Japan when he was 21 years old and was being trained in the ministry. He went to Israel when he was 33 but was not accepted. He was almost put to death (by crucifixion), but instead Isukiri, Jesus' younger brother, was crucified in his place.



Sunday School activity



Baby dedication for Emanueli (5 months old)

Then later Jesus came back to Japan via Siberia and lived until he was 106 years old and died in Herai village, Japan. In the summer they have a celebration called "Christ Festival" which is conducted by Shinto priests. Shintoism includes ancestor worship and so the main purpose of this celebration is to keep the traditions of their forefathers, which is to hold this festival. (Mark 7:9) This is one of those cunningly devised fables that II Timothy 4:3-4 and II Peter 1:16 warn about. We are hoping to show Kazu from the Bible the real life of Jesus Christ and the purpose of His death as payment for our sins. At this point he is not ready to discuss it, so please pray for the Holy Spirit to work in his heart.

In our last letter I mentioned that we were able to rent a room in a building across the street for our Sunday school. However, we learned that a fortune teller is now renting that same room on weekdays. Please pray for the Lord to protect us from any bad spirits and that she will find a different place to "work" or that we will be able to find a different facility to meet at.

Prayer Requests: 1) For Kazu to be willing to study what the word of God says about Jesus Christ. 2) For our public preaching and tract distribution in Okazaki city and Higashi Kariya city. 3) For Keiji and Kenji to be saved along with spiritual growth. 4) For Keiko's eye treatments and healing.

Thank you for remembering us in your prayers!

Sincerely in Christ,

The Brigham Family