

SERVANTS OF JESUS CHRIST

The Geisler Family Baptist Missionaries to Japan

*We give thanks to God always for you all,
making mention of you in our prayers; 1 Thes. 1:2*



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2007

Mailing Address Change

The city of Kumamoto recently changed our mailing address in order to better describe our location. We didn't move; only our address has changed. Please make a note of our new address.

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Kumamoto shi 861-8078 JAPAN

Our phone number and email address are still the same. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Worship Services Starting in April

We believe that the time is right to start Sunday morning worship services here in northern Kumamoto. Our Bible study meetings have been going well for some time now and we have been able to share the gospel with many people. We have also seen growth in these Bible study meetings.



However, to give people a better opportunity to be exposed to

Christianity, we feel God's leading to begin Sunday worship services.

Finding a place to meet was no easy task. Public buildings, such as schools and community centers, cannot be used for religious activities here in Japan. Renting a building on our own requires a substantial monthly rent as well as up to five months security deposit. Finally, we found a private company who would rent space for religious meetings, albeit there are still some restrictions.



These services begin April 15, 2007, at the Miyamura Culture Center. We will offer a Sunday school time for children followed by a worship service. The meetings will be in both Japanese and English in order to attract those interested in learning English and to

better minister to our family and any other foreigners who might wish to attend.

We have already designed a flyer and have begun distributing it. We have plans to print ten thousand more flyers and distribute them as well. Please pray that through these services we can expose many Japanese people to the gospel and see many saved, and eventually organize into a local Baptist church.

Trip to the States

In July, this summer, 2007, our family will make a short four-week trip to the States. The purpose is to visit our daughter and parents, who we haven't seen in over two years, and to report to a limited number of churches. The trip will be expensive but we feel that it is necessary at this time. We would greatly appreciate any additional contributions toward the expenses for this trip.



We will be centered in the Houston area and will be setting up some meetings with supporters there. It will be difficult to travel very far during this time. Thanks for your understanding. We will take a longer furlough in 2009 or 2010. Please feel free to contact us via email concerning this trip to set up a meeting or for any further details.

Material / Equipment Needs

Often we are asked by friends and supporters to share any special ministry needs. At this point in our ministry, with new worship services starting, there will be some needs for certain materials and equipment. We would like to get some used English hymnals while in the States. Sunday school lessons and visuals will have to be purchased. A pulpit will have to be made. Also, if possible, I would like to get a digital projector for better presentation of visuals and song lyrics. If anyone knows where we can get any of these things by donation or at a reduced cost; or if anyone would like to contribute financially for these needs please contact us by email. We praise God and thank all of you for your continued and loving prayers and support.



His servants to Japan,

Rick, Sharlyn, and family

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