



MISSIONARIES TO TOKYO, JAPAN
CHURCH PLANTING

THE KINOSHITA FAMILY



Dear Friends,

SPRING 2016

"Hanami (literal meaning is flower viewing)" is the centuries-old Japanese practice of picnicking under a blooming Sakura (cherry tree), however, sakura seem to have blossomed early this spring. Here is what's happening at City Baptist Church in Shibuya, Tokyo.

NEW YEAR'S WORSHIP SERVICE

It is Japanese national custom to make annual visit to the Buddhist temples on January 1st, so last 7 years we have made our custom to gather on New Year's Day as City Baptist Church. This is our first New Year's service at current space, and due to the building closure, we had to look for a different space to rent for the New Year's service. There were several guests as the first timers, as well as those who were in Tokyo visiting family members during Holiday, and those who usually are unable to attend Sunday services but got to come for New Year's Day.

GOAL IN 2016

The goals of CBC this year are: average 55 attendance, and 10 new converts. There were total of 100 new visitors last year alone. Ruth and I are praying that more CBC members will join us for outreach activities throughout this year, and share the passion to reach out Tokyo.



ANNUAL SINGLE ADULT RETREAT

During 5 preaching sessions at January Youth Retreat, we got to learn how to follow the examples of Jesus Christ who led unsaved people to salvation. Several youth made decisions to commit mid-week service, or full-time Christian living.

EASTER

As one of the area for new outreach locations, we ventured out to Takadano-baba area within Shinjuku District to deliver church invitations, known for its concentrated numerous major colleges and universities. Praise God there were over 50 attendance including 5 visitors on Easter Sunday. One of the visitors was a medical student from Takadano-baba.

YOUTH CAMP

Thanks to my father-in-law's church ministry, 3-day youth camp was held in Kyoto beginning 3/28/16. 150 youth from various Baptist churches gathered, including our oldest daughter Charis and her unsaved classmate from the same middle school. Please pray for the salvation of Charis' friend, who is considering to start attending CBC next month.



PRAYER REQUEST: REVIVAL SERVICE

Evangelist Chris Stansell will be our Revival/International Fellowship Service speaker on 4/17/16. We will be sending invitations to those who got saved but stopped coming to church.

PRAISE: PUPIT AND SPEAKER

This time we bought a pupit and a speaker set. Our God provided our need. Thank you for all your love and prayers.




Nathan & Ruth Kinoshita

Thank you for your prayers and support.

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