

Go and Danielle Oishi Missionaries to Japan

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Covering November 2024

Twelve Consecutive Months of First-Time Visitors

Danielle's Journey

Dear Partners in the Work of God,

Praise the Lord! This month has been another preparation month as we get ready to host another missions trip in December and **run six special Christmas outreach events** through our church plant! As Christmas is the most opportune time to share the Gospel in Japan, we are excited about all the open doors that God has given us once again this year!

Preparation months often double as building months to build the people God has brought to our church plant. On the first two Saturdays of this month, I was able to meet with one of our men from the English-speaking half of our congregation to clear up some confusion that he had from his previous church experience, specifically regarding baptism and using the correct Bible translation. **On our second visit, I offered to gift him a King James Bible from our church, but he adamantly refused, as he wanted to purchase it with his own money!** Please pray that God would continue to give him clarity as he now studies from an incompact Scripture and continues to hear Biblical preaching. We were also encouraged to see one of our first-time visitors from the previous month return and attend regularly this month! He was brought here by the young man from our Japanese-speaking half of our congregation, whom I have been counseling since last month. November 17 was our final session, as **God gave him the major victory that we have been praying for!** Please pray that God would continue to give him and his family victory!

This month was so exciting for me especially because my parents and my friend from high school came to visit us in Japan! It was so nice to serve with them in our church and out soul winning. Go's aunt also came to go soul winning and fellowship with my family! During that time, I was able to meet a family of five who seemed very interested in visiting our church. We are still praying for God to give us a children's ministry, so if they were to come, it would be a huge answer to our prayer! One of our main Christmas outreaches this year is specifically for reaching children. I had the privilege of designing all of the Christmas tracts and event fliers for the six outreach events my husband came up with. Thank you always for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers, especially as we conduct these upcoming Christmas outreach events! We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Our December preparation was also blessed, as **we were able to get permission from four local elementary schools for another round of school-gate outreach this year**, a rare opportunity for Japan! We were also able to complete all of the preparations for our upcoming missions trip. During it all, we had a wonderful visit from Danielle's parents and one of our friends from the U.S., as well my aunt from across the Tokyo Bay. It was a special blessing that we were all able to go soul winning together on November 16! Many divine appointments to invite people to our services were given along the way, and we praise God for opening so many doors for us that we could not have possibly opened ourselves!

On Sunday, November 10, we invited the most faithful family in our church to fellowship with us and our visiting family and friends in our home to celebrate their **one-year anniversary since first visiting our church as our very first visitors at our church plant in November 2023, one month into running services at our church plant.** We are thankful for what a faithful help and an encouragement this family has been to us over this past year and how God has grown this family closer to one another and to the Lord! It was a sweet moment to hear them pray out loud for one another as we closed out our evening of fun and fellowship. We praise God that since the day they first came, **God has given us 12 consecutive months of first-time visitors! Between November 2023 and October 2024, God has allowed us to minister to a total of 127 visitors in our church services, 88 without counting visiting family, friends, and mission trips. God has also allowed us to have 90 different people in our home for meals and visitation, with 19 visitors from afar who have stayed overnight. We praise God for the 19 people who have stayed around and allowed us to continue serving them and for the 2 who have trusted Christ as their Saviour through our church plant!** For many of them, our church plant became the first place they have ever attended a church service, seen a Bible, or heard the Gospel. We praise God for how He has answered our prayer to use our family and church plant to give as many people as possible the opportunity to trust Christ as their Saviour and to see Christians grow! Please pray that God would continue to use our ministry, especially for our remaining upcoming Christmas outreach events! God has already given us miracles in December that we are thrilled to share with you next month. We pray that God would also bless you with a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful start to a New Year!

Your friends and co-laborers to Japan,
Go and Danielle Oishi

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