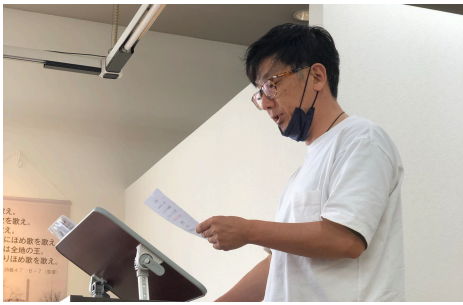


Hill Family JAPAN



Bro. Sato growing

Seeing Bro. Sato grow in the Lord is truly a blessing! He has been helping with cleaning, giving the announcements, inviting people to church, reading his Bible, and praying faithfully.

In our Bible studies together, he's nervous to pray in front of others, but during our church's prayer meeting he boldly beseeched Jesus in prayer! He that once prayed to idols, now boldly prays to Jesus. I can't tell you how excited I was to pray with him. God is so good!

We need your prayers

I make it a goal to share with you primarily the positive things that happen in the ministry here, but Satan has really been attacking our church lately. Currently it is Obon here in Japan. Obon is similar to the Mexican Day of the Dead, but it continues throughout August. It is a spiritually dark time here. Many of our people are struggling, and going through hard times. Several of our people have been pressured by work or family against serving Jesus or even just coming to church. New Christians face pressure to worship idols or to pray to their ancestors. When I preach or the gospel seems to break through to a person, something happens to hinder it. I won't go into all the details, but I simply ask you, prayer warrior, to pray a wall around us. Pray the work of Satan would be hindered, and that the gospel would take root and flourish.



Church Kids Event

During summer break, we planned to have a night of fireworks for the church kids, but because of rain, we met at the church and had a fun night of games for them. A young couple in our church, Michio and Mika, took the lead in organizing and running the event. The kids had so much fun playing various games and eating plenty of snacks and candy. Mika then shared a Bible story with the children before they went home. We are excited and thankful to see people taking on different roles in the church!

Pray for our People

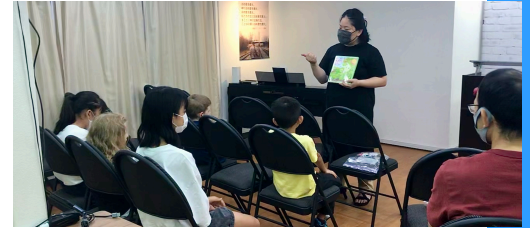


Kevin was doing better, and was excited about his new job. However since starting he has not had off a single weekend. Throughout August he hasn't had a day off, and so we haven't even been able to meet up.

Tiago has been doing a great job leading the music at the church and trying to witness to his wife, Naoko, but Satan has been fighting hard against him. Everything in his life is pulling him away from church and serving the Lord and he is really struggling.

Several ladies haven't been able to come to church lately because of changes in their schedules or family pressure.

Through all this God is good, and we thank Him for what He is doing!



Mika teaching the kids a Bible lesson at the event



Thank you to all those that made these two's birthday special!



Ocean is getting bigger and even cuter!

State of Emergency

Since many traveled to their home towns for Obon, Covid and the new variant has been spreading. In Niigata, there have been record breaking days for Covid, and new restrictions were put in place. But so far we are still able to meet in person. Our prefecture will likely go into another state of emergency in September if it continues as it has been. Pray for the health of our people, and that we can continue to meet.

Prayer Requests

1. Bro. Sato and Kevin's spiritual growth
2. Pray against the spiritual warfare and Covid.
3. Salvation: Yuki, Kamegai, Yuko, Hasegawa, Sakata, Watanabe (F), Yuen, Sean, Matsuki, Kawasaki, Koide, Chouko, Hisami, Emi, Naoko, Momo, Fumiko, Takahashi, Takeshi, Maho, Usuda, Nagayama, Sachi, Watanabe (M), Suzuki, Motoki, Koizumi, Kevin's wife and more

Thank you for praying!

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