



The Good News Letter

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“Righteous are you, O Lord, and your laws are right. The statutes you have laid down are righteous; they are fully trustworthy.” Psalm 119:137,138 (NIV)

Prayer Requests

1) Please pray for Lisa as she goes to Yamaguchi Jr. High School in Tokorozawa to again, teach a lesson on the school culture of Hawaii. Lisa will get to teach the song and dance, “Your Love Oh Lord” to all the 7th graders.

2) Please pray for Hope Chapel Kaneohe Bay’s mission team, “The Time-Setters” as they prayerfully prepare for their trip here to our church and a sister church, Hope Chapel Waseda, scheduled for Mar. 24th – Apr. 4th.

3) Thank you for praying for Kailie’s admission to Christian Academy— an English international school—she has been accepted! Please pray that she can develop the English skills to have a choice about a college education in six years (wow, this is going by too fast!)

4) Please pray for Malia as she makes the transition to going to school without her Big Sister for the first time in her life.

5) Please pray for wisdom, safety and provision for us as Corey travels and as Hope Tokorozawa goes through another season of change. Pray that the pruning leads to an even greater harvest in the near future.

Praise Reports

YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS IS LIKE A MIGHTY MOUNTAIN! Thank you for your prayers for the 80 Arahata Elementary School 4th graders (and for Lisa!) and their teachers as Lisa taught a lesson on the school culture in Hawaii using Hawaii’s state motto as the focus, “The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness.” Shinobu, Lisa’s administrator translated for her during the 1 hr. 40 min. lesson as the song, “Your Love Oh Lord” was introduced, projected onto the screen, meaning of the song explained, and the Japanese translation was read by all the students. As the CD played this worship song, the Holy Spirit was evident in the room as the kids danced to the song. Lisa was able to share about the missionaries going to Hawaii and God’s love through the song. A mission team from Hope Chapel Manoa taught our HEART to HEART students this song and performed the hula during our Sunday service a few years ago. God be the glory for the fruits of their labor! Lisa believes God has revealed more of His plans and purposes for the city of Tokorozawa as she stood on the school grounds located on top of a hill which overlooks the whole city! This is the first time she has been to the school since moving here 14 years ago! †

FOURTEEN YEARS (14!)! On March 25th, we will mark fourteen (14!) years on Japanese soil here in Tokorozawa! As we look back over the years, we only have grateful hearts for ALL He has done for us and your prayerful support, love, and encouragement! There is still so much more work to be done here as we labor with the Lord for the souls of the unsaved people here in Japan. We have seen and continue to see Christ’ transforming power in the people’s hearts here at Hope Toko as they grow in their relationship with Him through the work of the Holy Spirit. We are going through change in our church as many of our church families are planning their move back to the States or other countries. Since last summer, we have said good-bye to over thirty people and will continue to do so every month through this coming summer. Please pray for more laborers for the harvest in this country of 127 million (!) people. †

*With love in His precious Name,
Corey, Lisa, Kailie and Malia*

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