



# Robert and Lisa Stewart

Serving with Mission to the World in Japan

In This Letter ...

Summer 2024

First Quarter of 2024-2025 School Year at Nagoya Christian School

Prayer Requests

It was a blessing to have both William and Isabel in Nagoya for the summer! We loved that our family had the opportunity to be involved in ministry together again. William did an internship at Nisshin Christ Church while Isabel volunteered at Nagoya Christian School and the church's outreach events for college ministry and Kids' Gospel Week.



Click on the links below to watch William leading worship for college students from Missouri and Japan. A team of college students from Missouri partners with our team and church in Nagoya every summer to build relationships and share the gospel with Japanese students.



[College Worship Night #1](#)

[College Worship Night #2](#)

Nisshin Church offered a summer outreach called Kids' Gospel Week and had 70 elementary-age children participate.



Many from our church volunteered for Kids' Gospel Week





MTW Japan at our Asia area retreat in July in Bali.  
During this time, we went through the assessment process with  
MTW for Robert to become a team leader, and he was approved!  
He became the assistant team leader for the Nagoya Church Planting Team in September.





Stewart family in Bali, Indonesia



## **Nagoya Christian School**

### **First Day of School 2024**

Nagoya Christian School serves, primarily, Missionary Kids (MKs) whose parents are serving in the Nagoya area. As we are able, we will accept others in need of an international school setting.





We have devotions all together each morning at NCS. The man on the right is Ted Chan, a retired science teacher who teaches science online to our students and comes to teach in person for the months of September, January, and May.





Japanese language class for some of the elementary students. Michiyo sensei loves our students well and has a passion for them to speak Japanese and understand the culture.





We planted sweet potatoes last Spring and harvested them in October.





One of our students (Tsukasa, standing, in red shirt) lives near his grandparents' farm in Toyota, Japan.





SO many sweet potatoes!!





Here is most of our Nagoya Church Planting Team! NCS teachers are a part of this team, and so far, we have Nancy Olivares and Kristal McCranie here to teach with Robert and me. Nancy's husband, Oscar, is an ordained pastor doing other church-planting ministry with our team. Kristal's husband, Stephan, and their two children are also in the photo. The McCranies are here through the MTW Community Arts Team, as Stephan is an artist. The picture below also includes Heather May Jordan. She, Alex, and their four children will arrive in March 2025. Alex will be teaching at NCS full-time.





### *Prayer Requests*

*Praise God with us as we start our 2nd year at NCS!*

*Please pray for Nagoya Christian School and our current teachers and families. We are asking the Lord to lead more students to our school for the 2025–2026 school year! We currently have ten students, grades 1 through 8. We have three full-time teachers and two part-time teachers, as well as three part-time Japanese teachers.*

*Please pray for our teachers, those who arrived recently, and for the teacher (and his family) preparing and raising support to come in March 2025. Ask God to call and begin preparing other teachers and/or interns for our school as we grow.*

*Pray for NCS's Japanese teachers who love our students and want to help them learn the language and love Japan. Pray that God would lead another Japanese teacher to join our staff.*

*Please pray for Nisshin Christ Church and our outreach as we approach the holiday season.*



*Pray for our family time with William and Isabel as they will be in Japan during the Christmas break.*

*Please pray for Isabel as she prepares to study abroad next semester in Italy. Pray for William as he seeks a summer internship.*

*Praise God that Lisa was able to attend MTW's Global Missions Conference this past weekend. Pray for those she talked to about serving as teachers for one of MTW Japan's two schools for missionary kids (CCSI and NCS). We are asking God to continue to lead them to the mission field.*

*Please pray for our end-of-the-year support to be strong. We rely on special gifts at the end of each year to make up for monthly support shortfalls.*