



Happy Easter

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Nisshin Christ Church, Nagoya



Happy Easter! We had a wonderful Easter worship this morning and rejoiced to see new believers among us, people who were not Christians at this time last year. What a testimony to God's grace at work.

The Lord continues to bless the ministry of Nisshin Christ Church, and our team remains committed to helping this congregation grow. We are actively involved in leading college ministry, teaching English classes, and supporting Pastor Uechi, along with two interns and a national partner who are preparing for ordination in the Presbyterian Church of Japan.



Sunagawa-san graduated from seminary this March and began full-time ministry at the church on April 1st. Please pray for his transition into full-time church work and for wisdom as he takes on responsibilities in college and youth ministries, as well as for leading the worship music.

Tomita-san, who graduated two years ago, has recently passed the second level of ordination. He will now be serving full time at Nozomi Chapel near downtown Nagoya. He and his wife have faithfully served there for several years and have recently been joined by MTW missionaries from our team. Together, they are working toward establishing this ministry as a particularized church within the PCJ. Please pray for this growing and exciting work.

Blessing of Friendship



We recently enjoyed a refreshing two days with dear friends from our time in Shin-Urayasu. Tomo and Maiko came to Nagoya for the weekend, and we spent Saturday together making Easter cookies for an outreach event connected to their new ministry in Mie Prefecture. They are part of an enthusiastic church plant that hopes to see three churches established in the area. It felt like old times, and we were grateful for the fellowship and the opportunity to serve alongside them.

Family News and Transitions



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Isabel is wrapping up her third year at Belmont University and is excited for what's ahead. She will remain in Nashville this summer, moving into her first apartment with friends. She will also continue her internship at the Child and Family Therapy Collective and pursue independent research with a professor. It promises to be a full and meaningful summer, and she is grateful for your continued prayers and support.

William will graduate from Covenant College on May 9th and move to Knoxville, Tennessee, to begin a new role as assistant worship leader at Christ Covenant Church, PCA. We are thankful that he will be serving the church in a way that aligns with his gifts and training. Please pray for his transition into full-time ministry and for a smooth adjustment to a new city.

Lisa and I are thankful that we will be able to attend William's graduation, and we are especially grateful to the teachers at Nagoya Christian School for covering our classes during our absence. Afterward, we plan to visit Isabel at Belmont. This will be Robert's first time back on campus since dropping her off three years ago, and we are looking forward to experiencing her life in Nashville.

During our time in the U.S., we will be presenting at Christ Church New York City and visiting two other churches:

- Christ Church NYC on April 26
- All Saints Presbyterian Church in Brentwood, TN, on May 3
- Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church in Flintstone, TN, on May 10

If you are in the area, we would love for you to join us in worship and fellowship.

Please pray for all that needs to be completed here in Japan before we leave, for safe travels, and for meaningful time with family, friends, and supporting churches while in the States.

We pray you have a joyful Easter celebration. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support, which sustain us and make this ministry possible. It is a privilege to serve here in Japan, and we pray that many more will come to know Christ and worship with us at Nisshin Christ Church in the year ahead.

With gratitude and Easter Blessings, Robert and Lisa