

CLARK UPDATE JULY 2005

Summer Travels



Dear Friend,

The Lord is so good to us - giving us all we need in our lives: family, friends, places to stay, cars, love and best of all Jesus! It is a special delight for us to get to see the people we know in so many places here in the US. For Paul there was a Timothy - just the right sort of godly young man to assist Paul in his work. "I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare...you know that Timothy has served with me in the work of the gospel." Phil. 2:20-22 For us, the Lord has provided you!

And we are so thankful for His work through you, helping us to be a blessing to the Japanese people by bringing them the Word of Life. We are amazed every time we think about it - 21 years in Japan so far and all with God's provision through people like you who pray and give and care. Thank you so much!

We have been reminded of the difficult issues you all have faced here, while we have ours there. And it is so encouraging to see our supporters and their children following the Lord, some of them also heading off into

missions to various countries and peoples. God is at work in us all!

We have had a lot of good food and summer barbecues and gotten to share about our family and the things God is doing with us. Currently we are in Pennsylvania, taking time to visit with and assist Rochelle's mom who lives alone in the family home in Levittown. We appreciate your prayers that we can be a blessing to her in this

MELISSA DOES DENVER!

While we traveled to Dallas we stopped on the way in Denver to see Steve's brother and sister-in-law and their two baby girls.

Melissa was so taken with them that she agreed to stay an extra week as a babysitter, and she had a great time there and got to know them all better too! Final night they went to a Rockies baseball game.

Melissa was the first of our kids to ride an airplane by herself, flying from Denver to Dallas to meet up with us. Way to go, Melissa!



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short time. Also Andy has arrived in California from Japan, safe and sound. You may wish to contact him at andrew_clark27@hotmail.com. Please join us in praying that he can find a good job for the next several weeks until he enters the dorms at Azusa Pacific University (which is east of Pasadena, CA).

SUPPORT NEEDS

We want to update you on our support situation. As we prepare for our next two years in Japan, we are asking the Lord to raise an additional \$1000 per month in new support, such as through 20 people who could give \$50 per month. This need is because of the prolonged low value of the dollar, and because

of increased medical insurance costs as well as cost of living expenses to care for our family. We appreciate your prayers that this need will be fulfilled.

We are also asking for your prayers and God's provision of \$12000 in special gifts to cover our summer travel expenses and education bills remaining from last year due to the low dollar/yen exchange rate this past year. Every extra gift helps - and we are so thankful for those who have already heard and given towards these needs.

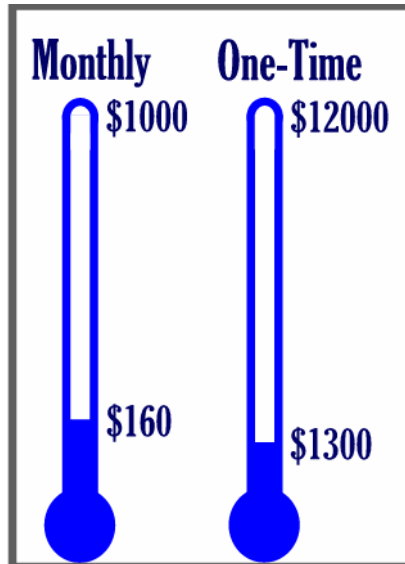
I have enclosed an envelope for your use if the Lord leads you to assist our return to Japan in some way. Your prayerful consideration of this need is greatly appreciated!

Your gifts and prayers are helping more Japanese to hear the good news of Jesus! God bless you!

Our schedule:

- June 17 to June 29 in southern California,
- June 29 to July 1 in Denver, Colorado
- July 1 to July 11 in Dallas, Texas
- July 11 to Aug 2 in Pennsylvania and New Jersey
- Aug 2 to 16 in southern California

Then back to Japan until our planned furlough year beginning summer 2007.



*With all our love
and appreciation,
Steve, Rochelle, Andy, Ben,
Melissa and Josh*