

Dear Prayer Partner for Japan!

We always rejoice with you for all God is doing in Japan! This month we wanted to share through pictures some of the things happening with our family in recent months. All of our kids keep growing and amazing us with the way time goes by so fast. Andy (age 11) is almost as tall as Rochelle now. Andy and Ben are starting to get into basketball now too, and Ben won a spot shooting contest during their basketball camp. The mornings-only basketball camp was held at their school, Christian Academy in Japan. They have also been working on a summer reading program during their break, as well as trying to get into any pool they can!

Melissa will have join her preschool soon for an overnigher at the school during her summer break, which starts in a few more days. She now enjoys her Japanese playmates pretty easily, and is often riding bikes with them on our dead end street. Our family will be joining the Love Kyushu 98 outreach from July 27 to Aug 6 (we will drive down to Kyushu, which takes two days!). Staff Conference will be held Aug 13 to 18, and all the Japan CCC staff will come to Oshima, near Tokyo for that time of input and direction and fellowship. Then we will have some family vacation time at Lake Nojiri, in cabins we have sometimes enjoyed before, towards the end of August. We appreciate your prayers for this time to be fruitful and renewing.

Enjoy the pictures! Send us one of your own when you have a chance...we love to hear from you.

Steve, Rochelle, Andy, Ben and Melissa