Japan Prayer Fuel



This month pray that OMF missionaries will be enabled to live out this OMF Japan Field value:
Our ministry is incarnational and contextualised

- Though we are free and belong to no one, for the sake of the gospel we make ourselves a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. (1 Corinthians 9:19)
- We seek to "become all things to all people so that by all possible means [we] might save some." (1 Corinthians 9:22)
- We "do not conform to the pattern of this world," (Romans 12:2) but submit to the Word of God in all things.
- Faithful contextualisation requires diligent study of Scripture and culture, and careful self-reflection.
- We do this in fellowship, learning from other cultures' perspectives and helping each other to see our blind spots, while also rejoicing in the diversity in the Lord's Kingdom.
- We identify with our local communities and adopt an appropriate lifestyle.
- We work hard to develop our Japanese language, so that we can form genuine relationships with people and minister to them in their heart language.

Japan Field Director (FD)

Please pray for: 1) Field Leadership Team (FLT) Team Building and meetings (18th–23rd May). Please pray for the guest speaker who will be leading the team building. Pray that the team will get to know each other, and seek the Lord together. 2) Continuing handover as a newly appointed leader learns the role of Sector Leader for Personnel (SLP). 3. The Lord's leading during the search for new role-holders, including a Sector Leader for Training.

Chitose Light Chapel

Please pray for one missionary as she meets with a lady to read the Bible. Pray for one man to grow in faith, after praying to receive Jesus as his Saviour, and that nothing will get in the way of meeting for Bible study. Please pray for unity and camaraderie amongst church members in sharing about Jesus to non-Christian friends, co-workers and family. Please pray for missionaries preaching on 10th May (Chitose), 11th May (Sapporo) and 24th May (Chitose). Please pray the church's new missionary, teaching Kid's English classes (13th & 14th May) at Sapporo Evangelical Free Church, as well as Kid's English classes in Chitose. Pray for this new missionary to settle into life in Chitose, and learn the 'ins and outs' of different ministries.

Sorachi Project (Satsunae Lighthouse Church)

The Sorachi Project leaders host a Serve Asia Worker (SAW) from 15th April – 5th May. Pray for opportunities to serve and learn about ministering through the arts in Japan. Pray for follow up after the Maundy Thursday Tea ceremony event at Niseko church. Pray also as project leaders attend a writer's retreat (12th-16th May). Pray for preaching at Bibai (18th May), and for pulpit supply needs in Mikasa and Sunagawa churches.

Kodaira Bible Christ Church

Please pray as the missionaries seek to start an English Class for kids at the church. After passing out more than 1,000 flyers, no one has attended so far, although a few people have expressed interest. Please pray that the missionaries will continue to trust the Lord and His timing, and that this opportunity will help them share the gospel in the community.

New Hope Yokohama

Please pray that more people will come to know Christ through various forms of outreach; for example, volleyball, ultimate Frisbee, language exchange, and jogging ministry. Please pray for the writing of a Bible Study on the first eight chapters of Romans, which the missionaries hope to offer at the church in September. Additionally, please continue to pray that the Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Men's Bible Study on Revelation will finish strongly, and raise up more leaders to guide future BSF studies at the church.

YahaBible Network

Praise God for the disciple-making training the missionary team is undertaking. Pray for the Spirit's guidance in applying this in Yahaba, and for renewed vision and strategy. Please pray for one new believer to keep growing in love and knowledge of God and his Word, and that she will come to church regularly. Pray that her family will also come to faith. Please pray that the missionaries would be able to do more regular Bible study with one seeker, and that his work schedule will ease up. Please pray for Bible study with another gentleman, that his heart will be open to Jesus. Pray for six others, as the team seeks to deepen friendships and share the gospel.