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Updating You on the Benekes' Ministry to Students in Kobe!

Dear Friends,

Earlier this month, we hosted our annual Summer Camp to bring together some of the students our team met during our first semester of ministry in Kobe. One of those students was a sophomore from Kobe University named **Momo**.

Momo grew up going to church, but walked away from God after a serious illness in her family. Then she met a girl from our mission team on campus last month. Through their friendship, God began opening Momo's heart to Him once more. After hearing the gospel, Momo put her faith in Christ and started meeting with our team for follow-up.

Because of her desire to grow and meet others in our community, Momo joined 1 non-Christian and 6 young Christian students for summer camp August 11th-12th. Though it was a small group, it was encouraging to see the fruit of what God did during our first few months in Kobe. We're excited to build on what He started next semester!

After Summer Camp ended on the 12th, we hurried home and spent the rest of the day packing for our flight to the U.S. the next morning. After a short layover in Korea, we arrived in Washington, DC on August 14th. We went to Immigration the next morning to get Jungshin's photo and fingerprints taken for her new citizenship application.

Now we are waiting for Immigration to contact us with a date for Jungshin's citizenship interview. Lord willing, we hope to return to Japan before the new semester starts in October. Please pray that Jungshin would receive her interview and citizenship soon so we can be on our way.

Yours in Christ,

Ryan & Jungshin



With our team and students at Summer Camp; **Momo** is on Jungshin's left



In Virginia; we came back August 14th to get Jungshin's fingerprints taken and wait for her next citizenship interview

PRAISES & PRAYERS

- Praise God for all the students like Momo who came to Summer Camp!
- Pray for students' spiritual growth and protection over summer vacation
- Pray for Jungshin to receive her interview and U.S. citizenship quickly

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