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Updating You on Ryan & Jungshin's Ministry to Students in Kobe!

Dear Friends,

Thank you for praying for us this Christmas! We had around 20 new students come to our **Christmas Party** (12/12) and hear the gospel. Out of the 20 who came, at least 3 have already prayed to receive Christ! One of these students was **Mariko**, who was invited by her Christian friend **Kanami**. Before the party, Mariko knew very little about Jesus or what He had to do with her personally. But after talking with our Christian students, she left feeling like He might have something to do with her life, after all.

The next week, Kanami invited Mariko to a meeting for Christian students on her campus. When they asked Mariko what she thought of the party, she said it was her first time hearing about God and sin. She thought learning about sin was important, and she wanted to know more about Jesus. Kanami then took Mariko aside and shared the gospel with her using the *Four Spiritual Laws*. Afterwards, Mariko prayed with her friend to receive Jesus as her Savior.

That weekend, Mariko went to Christmas service with Kanami at her church, and afterwards they met for their first Bible study (see photo). Once class starts again in January, they are planning to meet weekly for Bible study and to go to Christian meetings on campus together. **Please pray for protection over Mariko's new faith, especially as she spends extended time with her family over the break.**

Mariko's story illustrates how we have started to see God work this year, saving students through students. We expect to see even more of that in the year to come. Thank you for your partnership, and have a blessed 2015!

Happy New Year,

Ryan & Jungshin



Kanami leading the first Bible study with new Christian Mariko (right)



Singing carols with our special choir at the Christmas Party on December 12

PRAISES & PRAYERS

- *Praise* God for **Mariko** and others who received Christ this Christmas!
- *Pray* for spiritual protection of young believers over New Year's holidays
- *Pray* our hunger for God would grow thru **Prayer & Fasting Camp** (1/1-3)

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