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

Dear Friends,

Imagine a stadium filled with fifty thousand cheering fans. At one end are runners lined up for a 200-meter sprint. Each has disciplined his body for years in hopes of being lean and fast enough to win this race. Each wears as little clothing as possible so that nothing will slow him down. At the finish line awaits a judge holding the winner's prize.

Is this a scene from the World Championships? No, it's actually a picture of the Christian life from **Hebrews 12:1-2, the theme verses for our recent Summer Camp**. Over three days in the mountains near Osaka, we were challenged to consider: *What "weights" and "sins" are slowing us down in our race of faith? And how do we "fix our eyes on Jesus" so we can endure to the end of the race and win the prize?*

Besides teaching about these verses, I had the chance to lead a seminar about spending time with God daily. To be honest, it's easy for me to neglect this time when life gets busy. But preparing the seminar was a good reminder for me to make that my number one priority.

It's summer break now, but **from 9/3-9/17, eleven people (2 staff, 9 students) from our ministry will be traveling to Taiwan for a short-term mission trip**. They'll be working with the local Cru ministry to reach freshmen at **Dong Hwa University in Hualien**. Please pray for our Japanese students to grow through that time, and for many Taiwanese students to believe the gospel and get connected to the local ministry.

Unfortunately Jungshin and I won't be going to Taiwan this year because, well, **we're having a baby! The due date is September 14**. We're looking forward to introducing you to the newest Beneke in a few weeks. Until then, thank you

Ryan Jungshin



Lunch time at **2015 Summer Camp**; a



2015 Taiwan Mission Team (9/3-17);
we're staying home to have a baby!

PRAISES & PRAYERS

- *Praise* God for a blessed time at our **2015 Summer Camp: Eyes on Jesus**
- *Pray* for a smooth delivery on **9/14** and a healthy Mommy and baby
- *Pray* for **Taiwan Mission (9/3-9/17): 9 students and 2 staff** will be sharing

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