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Dear Friend,

Recently, my three favorite words were: English Movie Night. For two hours, I was the one clarifying, not inquiring.

A Christian student named Takuma saw *The Ultimate Gift* when he was a high school exchange student in Canada. He mentioned really loving this film, and my mom was so kind to send it to Japan. Takuma then initiated an outreach where other students could see the film and practice English.

A freshman named Mariko was especially engaged by the movie. We casually discussed our impressions, and she had some insightful remarks about how the main character, Jason, lacked meaningful connection with his family. We noted how he was initially only concerned about material wealth but transformed to value relationships and gained the willingness to sacrifice for others.

Mariko was contemplating Jason's "ultimate gift" and concluded that he had become a good person. Takuma and I suggested that Jason experienced a deeper change than just doing good deeds, but that he had actually found a new purpose for living. One of the characters that Jason helps is a young girl with Leukemia, Emily, so were able to discuss the significance of life beyond our time on earth as well.

Please pray for students like Mariko to keep seeking truth and to find their purpose for life in Jesus Christ. Mariko expressed interest in coming to future meetings and events, including the Night the Light concert next month. A talented and popular band from Sapporo will perform in Tokyo and share their testimonies of faith. Please continue praying that through various means, Jesus' name and love will be known in Japan!

In Christ,

Christina

Please pray for:

- ♦ My trip to Tono to serve tsunami victims, April 30th-May 4th
- ♦ The Night the Light outreach, May 10th