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## Dearest Supporters,

Do you ever think summer is an interesting time of year? So many people are out of school and gallivanting around to all kinds of places. If you've spent this summer at home, I pray you're finding joy in your daily life; if abroad, I pray you're finding rest during your travels. God is certainly blessing the lives of people everywhere!



A prime example is
Amy, a senior at Cal
State Fullerton. She
has allowed the
summer months to
impact her life
greatly. Initially,
Amy was completely
bewildered about how
to spend her time off.
She was torn between
the annual family
vacation and a
mission trip. I can
enthusiastically tell

you that Amy was able to spend a month on the summer project in Japan and it didn't interfere with her vacation! I am so thankful! Amy's email to me during her final days in Tokyo illustrates her joy over how her summer plans panned out:

'Gosh, it is so weird being in Japan and knowing you were here not that long ago. I love meeting your friends and seeing their faces light up when I tell them I know you. Did I mention how thankful I am to be on this project? To be in Japan? I never expected to find a love for this city, for the people here, for ministry on Japanese campuses! I never expected to form such deep relationships in such a short time. And now I am down to the last two DAYS on campus and it breaks my heart to have to say goodbye to students here. I feel completely torn. Part of me can not wait to get home and see my family and go on vacation. But I think the other 1/2 of my heart is staying in Japan. To say that this

is a life changing summer is to put it mildly. I just know that I'm so glad that I'm here and being open to God. Oh and on a side note, God is doing WONDERS in the relationship between me & my sis. It's crazy but we are growing closer even though we are an ocean apart!!'

Sincerely, Christina

