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Dear Friends,

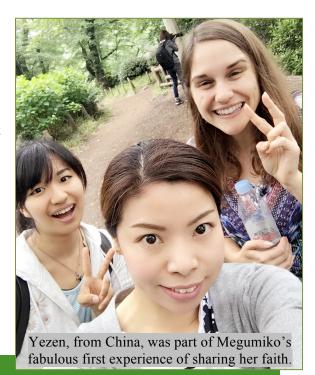
Do you ever find yourself in awe of good timing? Last week, when Megumiko decided to follow Jesus, many of her friends, including me, rejoiced. She had been part of our community and studying the Bible with us for several months. It was also amazing that she started believing in Christ the day before a semi-annual training we hold. The very next day she was practicing how to share the gospel, and the following day implementing what she had learned.

On Thursday she believed. In her words: "Dear good, good Father, thank you for giving this opportunity I could trust my exist, yourself, and knowing your love, thank you for all of you've done." Friday, she gathered with about 10 other Christian students. We learned more in depth about God's love for us and how to communicate it to someone who has never heard about Him. Then on Saturday we headed to a near-by park, where a good handful of people heard about Jesus for the first time.

Megumiko and I didn't have the opportunity to share deeply about the Bible or Jesus, but we had good interactions and prayed for each person we met. I was so touched how she engaged with each woman. We talked with a pair of elderly ladies, and one of them made it very clear that as a Japanese person, she didn't want to talk about Christianity. Megumiko gracefully continued the dialogue by asking if she had a different religion and then wrapped up when she still wasn't interested.

At the end of our time, we met a Chinese woman who was super friendly. Again we didn't have the opportunity to directly talk about Jesus, but Megumiko was excited to exchange contact information and to see that when she reaches out, many people respond extremely well. Please pray for her new walk with Jesus and her witness at Gakugei University and elsewhere!

In Christ, Christina



Please pray for~

- ❖ Megumiko to grow in knowing God's love and truth
- Praise for the safe arrival of the first summer mission team (and prayer for two more coming soon)
- Erika, Natsuki, and Kinuno who have heard the gospel and started Bible study at Rikkyo University