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Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers for our camp! It was so encouraging to see the students beginning to really take the reins. Older students were welcoming newer ones, and all were active in sharing their viewpoints and ideas for the new school year. Even one non-Christian student joined and contributed on thinking about the logistical side of events.

Please pray with us as we finalize details and execute our plan. Announcements have already been made to the major high school Christian group, and questionnaires and flyers for the beginning of the year are under way.



**Marina enjoys fellowship over breakfast at Spring Camp in preparation for planning the new school year!**

There really is an atmosphere of excitement and hope that I haven't seen in the students before. They're being practical yet thinking big in how they can share Jesus on their campuses. They also recognize the need themselves to stay healthy spiritually and not just focus 100% on outreach. Our goal is to work more toward Bible studies across campuses, since the current reality is that most are the only believer at his or her school.

Marina in particular seems really motivated to keep growing before she studies abroad in France in the fall. She knows she can't survive as a Christian alone and has discovered one other Christian from a former class. Please pray they can connect before the school year starts. My hope is that Kazue and Marina can encourage one another to read the Bible consistently and pray together for their campus, Sekei University. Then, once Marina goes to Paris she will be more mature and also have someone still reaching out to her fellow students in Japan.

In addition, we'd love your prayers for all students, interns, and staff to stay close with Jesus and motivated to share Him. We have three main events in place to kickoff the spring, and since the students primarily created the schedule and line up, I'd love for them to go well and give them confidence. Either way, please pray that we keep trusting God's plan and that His hand is working in Japan!

In Christ,

Christina

Please join me in praying for~

- ❖ Akane, Marina, Megumiko, Risako, and Mayu to continue growing closer to Jesus and sharing Him
- ❖ Students exploring the Bible or interested in starting (Natsuki, Erika, Maiko, Chie, and others)
- ❖ Spring Events: Questionnaires, Easter (April 15<sup>th</sup>), BBQ (April 29<sup>th</sup>), and sleepover (May 12<sup>th</sup>)