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The women from Japan pose in front of the palms on their way to campus in Taipei!

Dear Friends,

The students who returned from the Taiwan mission trip are reporting back to their friends and churches in Japan. Mayu, who attended for the third year in a row, is particularly enthusiastic about how the Lord blessed their time in Taipei.

Mayu was also sending prayer requests during the trip. She was enjoying the balance of getting to meet other Christian students and pray together, as well as the opportunity to meet non-Christian students on campus and share the gospel with them. She expressed gratitude for those praying and said the prayers were particularly felt the day the team met Hotaro. Apparently he spoke very decent Japanese and was able to hear the gospel and speak with them with ease. The whole encounter was extremely smooth, and he received Christ almost immediately. Mayu was so grateful and asked for continued prayers.

Now that the team has returned to Japan, Mayu has two main prayer requests. First of all, she and the others would love to see the new believers grow in Christ. The team met 235 students, had spiritual conversations with 167 students, shared the gospel with 80 students, and saw 18 students pray to receive Christ. Thankfully many of these young men and women have been connected to Cru members in Taiwan. Please pray they will find a sense of belonging in the community there and continue learning and deepening their new faith.



Mayu gives Japanese gifts to her new Taiwanese friend.

Mayu has also asked for prayer for her future. She has been wrestling with the direction of her future for over a year and has officially decided to apply to become staff with Cru in Japan. She had already confirmed her decision earlier in the summer. Going to Taiwan and seeing the way students have an impact on younger students confirmed her desire to invest on campuses in Tokyo. I've prayed together with Mayu on numerous occasions as we've interacted the last couple years. It really seems to me that she's walking in obedience to the Lord and stewarding her giftings well. Please pray that she will continue to obey God's leading, and that He will bless the process of applying to be staff with our organization. Even more importantly, please pray that Mayu will continue to know and see the love of Christ in her own life and continue to seek to share it with others!

In Christ,
Christina

Please join me in praying for~

- ❖ Mio's complete healing (she returned home after 10 years in the hospital) and salvation for her and her family
- ❖ For God's continued work among Taiwanese students
- ❖ For Mayu as she seeks to obey the Lord with her future and apply for full-time ministry with Cru in Japan