

Jessica Joy's JAPAN Journey

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✧ Rainy Season ✧

...he supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills.

Psalm 147:8

“When it rains, it pours.” And for Japan Campus Crusade for Christ, that’s VERY true during Tokyo’s rainy season (June-July). What does rainy season mean? Literally it means getting caught outside in an unexpected downpour. Laundry getting wet after you’ve washed it and hung it out to dry. Waking up damp from the humidity/sweat. For our Japan staff this season means saying “good-bye” to our year-long STINTers. And “hello” to Summer teams from all over. Summer teams mean meeting lots of new students. It means the gospel going forth on college campuses in full force. And students coming to Christ. Which means follow-up. Which means investing in new relationships while saying “farewell” to old ones. Summer means emotional exhaustion for our staff. But also great joy.

Two of our ICUHS students (Nao and Aska) came to Christ this past month and *four* of our “babies” (students who came to know Jesus through Student Impact) got baptized at New Hope Church last week. On the same day, Yuki (Yurika and Yukina’s little brother) sent a facebook message saying he had also gotten baptized that day!

Last month I wrote about seeing the effects of spiritual warfare. With so much going on, it seems like warfare’s heightened. But after taking a four-day break from Tokyo to visit another staff family, the Tomas, in Okinawa and getting to pause and renew my own mind with the promises and Truth of God’s Word, I say bring it on!! And in the meantime, I covet and am grateful for your prayers and support. Thank you!

Thanks Jesus!

- 1) Summer missions teams have come and gone and are coming still. Thank God for His provision for these teams and for providing us with these teams.
- 2) Baptisms of Miwako, Haruka, Kazuya and Seiko (pictured above with other Student Impact students) and Yuki (Yurika and Yukina’s younger brother).
- 3) Refreshed from my time in Okinawa with Tomas!
- 4) Nao and Aska’s salvation this month (ICUHS students).

Prayer requests

- 1) My relationship with Jesus to grow in intimacy.
- 2) Balance of language school and time with staff and students.
- 3) Wisdom for our staff in all areas of ministry and life.

