

Jessica Joy's JAPAN Journal

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Soccer Saturdays begin! (Kozo and Jun are top right)

Prayer Corner

*Thank you so much for praying for Kozue, the Waseda student who's studying at CSUEB. On Palm Sunday we prayed together to receive Christ! Pray for her new relationship with Jesus. I'm excited that we'll get to return to Japan together next school year.

*Please pray for Kozo, Jun and their friend Tatsu to get a better understanding of Jesus while they're here in the States. I met Kozo and Jun playing soccer earlier this month and invited them to church. They've been faithful in coming to church and other Christian events and have brought Tatsu also.

*Please continue to pray that I would meet my monthly financial goal of 100% by June 1st. Right now I'm at 68%. If I don't make it to at least 80% I can't go to training in CO on June 7th.

✧ Fragrance of Christ ✧

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in the triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. 2 Corinthians 2:14

Spring is here! And with spring comes blooming flowers, cherry blossom trees, Easter, warmer days, allergies and new relationships. Two international students at CSUEB began their new relationships with Christ this past month. One of my closest friends began a new marriage relationship. Playing pick-up soccer has allowed me to make new relationships with people in the area. And I've been able to meet up with a lot of you and began new ministry partnership relationships which has been a huge blessing.

Out of all relationships experienced though, my most precious and rewarding relationship is my relationship with Christ. The fact that most people in Japan haven't had a

chance to know Christ is what continues to motivate me to get to Tokyo. Sharing this vision with others at Davis and in the Bay Area has continually refreshed me and kept me excited about my job. At the same time, I've been reminded that if I allow myself to be led by Christ, his fragrance will be spread everywhere even while I'm at home in the States. Thank you Jesus! And thank you too for your support as I continue to move forward in returning to Japan!

Love, Jess



Me and Akemi at her wedding

