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... our email to you ...

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Ikumi

YU YAMADA, Ikumi's son, has almost finished his 2nd year of graduate school at Lincoln Christian Seminary in Illinois, majoring in Biblical Studies with top grades! He will have only the Fall semester left and he is planning on taking that last semester online from Japan. The reason? KCS has called him to teach Bible and math in the high school and junior high, as well as a class of science beginning this Fall! We are so proud of him and his mom!

Yu Yamada and his mom, servants of our Lord!



NAKABURI CONGREGATION: I preach in the congregation next door once every other month. Ikumi Yamada, our 3rd-4th grade teacher at KCS is my excellent translator. The Japanese never fail to take notes—a practice Westerners would be wise to follow! Often, even in church buildings, seating is at tables and listeners can easily take notes.



OUR LOCAL PARK's name is the "Suikoen Fureai Park," which means it is a place to meet and gather with friends. We enjoy walking in the park, not only for exercise, but to meet people. We have lots of friends there, whose names we don't know but who like to talk with us. The city changes the flowers every season on three sides of the park.

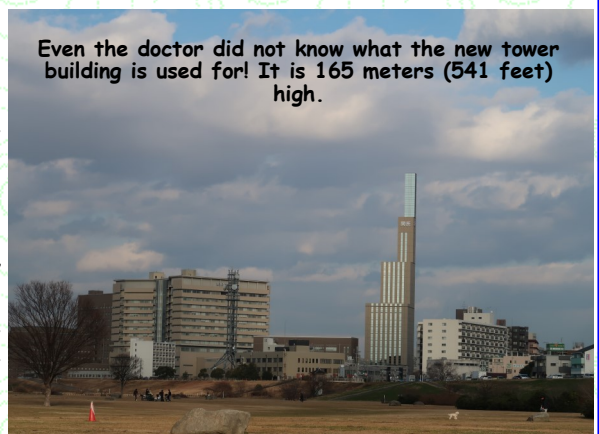


THE IMPORTANT NEWS THIS TIME is that Rickie will be having Open Heart Surgery March 28th to replace a growing aneurism. Since her "event" (Sudden Aorta Dissection) three years ago, the heart doctor has been monitoring the CT scans every six months and the aorta has continued to enlarge. Dr. Kuwauchi and his team will repair the aorta with a dacron replacement during the 5-7 hour surgery. We would appreciate your prayers very much. Our three children who live in the States may or may not be able to enter Japan on account of COVID restrictions, but Jennifer will be able to come. She flew down from Ishinomaki in February to be with us at our consultation with the doctor following three different days of tests. Her loving support and excellent Japanese was very much appreciated. Unfortunately, also because of COVID restrictions, I will be allowed to visit her only after she is released from two or three days in ICU and is in a regular room (and not every day). Her stay will likely be about two weeks. The hospital, pictured on the right, is only ten minutes from our home.

Our monthly Lord's Days with the **KAMIZONO CONGREGATION**, an hour's drive from our home, are always special to us. Above is a view from the pulpit during COVID. The back of the auditorium extends to the right in the picture above and shows the side view from the picture below.



Even the doctor did not know what the new tower building is used for! It is 165 meters (541 feet) high.



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