



UPDATE FROM JAPAN

Osaka Bible Seminary — Jesus for Japan

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... our email to you ...



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OSAKA BIBLE SEMINARY was established in 1937 "to train preachers, pastors, evangelists and other Christian workers for the church." Our purpose has never changed and we continue to train workers for the Kingdom of God. Our faculty and students, both men and women, take turns speaking in chapel, as do I. Not only do they study Old Testament, New Testament, Greek and classes like counseling, but they are taught Christian education and other evangelism courses in order to reach adults and children so they, too, might experience God's love. Both local professors and adjunct professors teach at KCS. Recently, Haruka Otsuka, an adjunct teacher from the Machida congregation in Tokyo was on-campus to teach the students how to use puppets to reach children especially.

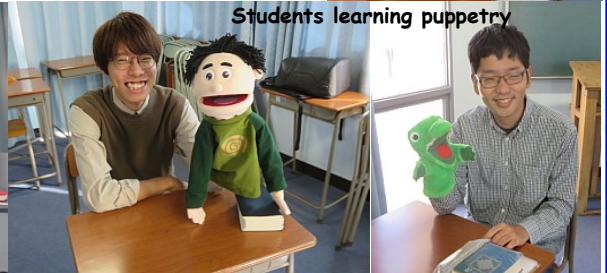


Students preaching in Chapel



Haruka Otsuka

A graduate of Cincinnati Christian University



Students learning puppetry

KANSAI CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is going well this year again. Because of the cautionary measures taken in regard to COVID-19, our new teacher has not been able to come to Japan until this month. We were delighted that he was able to test negative and fly within 72 hours, as well as testing negative in Japan. The chairman of our board drove to Tokyo (about an 8-hour drive) to bring him to Osaka (a COVID-19 necessity). He has been preparing for his classes, but has been a bit bored waiting out the 14-day quarantine here. He will begin teaching tomorrow. Our staff, especially our principal, who have been teaching his classes will be very happy when he can begin his classes.



KCS is surrounded by rice & chrysanthemums fields



Rickie & her Assistant Nozomi



Dinner with Keith

Keith Summers, a fellow missionary in Okayama, came to KCS this fall to audit the English bookkeeping and stayed with us for two nights. We enjoyed taking him to dinner at a place where you cook your own food.



Rickie showing a prospective family the KCS property

THE SUMMER OF 2021 will be our every-third-summer to be in the U.S. to travel among our supporting congregations. We anticipate being mostly in the Midwest, so we will try to visit most of our congregations and individual supporters who live there. Rickie will likely be having laser surgery on her eyes because the cataract surgery done in 2009 needs adjustment. If your congregation has a specific date you would like us to visit, please let us know. We will be working on our schedule soon. We also hope to go to MONGOLIA in the spring to visit and participate with the different outreaches of the Centurions Ministry.

Our friends in farming country will appreciate the difference in machinery in Japan! Small, compact, efficient and they get the job done!

RENEWING A DRIVER'S LICENSE IN JAPAN if you are 70 or older is an ordeal! I had to renew mine in September and Rickie has just renewed hers this month. We had to listen to many lectures, watch "scary" videos with scenes of elderly people having accidents, and take several different vision tests. A mental acuity test had to be taken before we could make application for the driving test. I just received my new license and it will take another month for Rickie to receive hers in the mail.



This little machine shucks and bags rice!



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