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children.

For our sisters in

Bethel, Kobe

Dear friends,

Summer 2025

On July 18th, we will be holding our 12th annual Summer Festival. Similar to the Christmas program, this festival is a major highlight of our children's work.

Our team is now almost complete and is 100 children. Marianne is helping us with the coordination of the many tasks. Our four seminarians have all arrived and have

Next week, we expect five more young volunteers from New Jersey who will be supporting the children's outreach in three churches in Japan (Kobe, Sendai, Tokyo). With members from congregation and from the English class, we have an excellent team this year. We are praying for good weather and a good

For the time in the camp.

Petition

In July Kobe

13. wedding 18. Festival 23. Nozominokai 25. JumpClub 29. BBQ with **English-students**

Sanda Every Sunday.

For Vincent. Robert, Malena, Michaela, Miriam

3-10-26 Midori M Kita Ku, Kobe 651-1221, Japan

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Thank-you for your donation:

Festival

busy preparing for this big event for up to been supporting us in Kobe and Sanda for weeks in numerous programs.

turnout for the festival. Mother's Day Weekend

About 30 neighbors joined us for the afternoon with coffee and cake in a nearby park! On Sunday a new family, who may move into our neighborhood, attended church. At this point, no families from the new houses in the valley have come to us yet. We continue to pray for this new group in front of our church.

Camp Karuizawa

Andy went to our camp grounds with Robert and Vincent. There, we replaced some 800 carpet tiles in numerous rooms and in the long hallway.

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Internship

In addition, our four seminarians took turns preaching in Kobe and Sanda. In preparation for each sermon, we discuss the chosen Biblical text together. The evaluation after the sermon is also very important to all of us and we also spend a lot of time in prayer and thanksgiving.

Funeral & Wedding blessing

Malena played violin recently at the funeral for one of our church members. She will also play the violin this Sunday for a special service: Our fire fighter, Sada-kun, who attended our programs for many years, will seek God's blessing before getting married officially. Neither he nor his bride are believers. Yet, considering the years Sadakun came to church and that both of his parents are strong Christians, we trust the Lord will speak to them. Please pray with us for this young couple.

New Programs

The number of participants in the "Mommy & Me" program has stagnated. Two women have returned to their jobs. The remaining two mothers have come very regularly and wish to meet other women. Please pray for this. All four mothers came together for the Mother's Day service.

Miss N. accepted our request to read the Bible with Shoko in addition to her English lesson with Malena. Miss N. has also been coming to the worship services frequently during this past year. Please pray that God's Word would take root in her heart.

→ With this update, we wish you a pleasant summer. The Lord bless you abundantly.

> Your missionaries, Shoko & Andy.