



Seeds of Grace

Reaching people, Planting churches... in Japan

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From the Editor

This Month, we would like to introduce you to one of our workers and what she is doing here. Meet Bee Choo a seconded worker in KGK (Kurisutosha Gakusei Kai - Christian Students Association). She works in the Kansai area, which is divided into 3 blocks: Hyogo (or Kobe), Hanawa (Osaka, Nara & Wakayama), Keiji (Kyoto & Shiga). Each block has 2 staff workers and works with an average of 12 or more campuses. Also, each staff worker is put in charge of different student-year groups and graduate groups.



Bee Choo Speaking at a youth meeting

News and Prayer Points

Eunjeong and Jaenbaeg Lim welcomed a new baby, called Sarang, in May: their third daughter. Pray for them to enjoy and adjust to this new phase of family life.

A Peruvian woman in Ritto prayed with Annette Cummings to receive Jesus: ripe fruit that just about fell from the tree! Pray that Annette will be able to study the Bible with her in future.

Pray for gospel sharing opportunities for all our missionaries. Pray too for our Japanese friends and neighbours to move closer to Jesus.

We won't be using our campsite this year; it's having a 'fallow' year, as site upkeep is a lot of work. So pray for those interested to run outreach and discipleship camps to find other suitable locations.

It's getting hot here, so pray for rest as well and good use of our time despite lethargy.

Seeing God Work

In 2013, my colleague and I went on a prayer walk, targeting the universities situated in the northern part of Kyoto city. Our hearts were burdened for some big private universities that were devoid of any vibrant Christian witness.

In spring 2014, we were contacted by a Japanese lady working amongst overseas students in Canada, who referred us to two students who had been saved and were about to return to Japan. The amazing thing is that both attend the same campus, which is one of the universities that we had been praying specifically for. Previously, we had contacted some Christians in the campus but they showed no interest whatsoever. Then these two students came along, out of the blue, who wanted to start a Bible study group in their campus.

2 New Campuses

1) Last spring, we prayer-walked around the Buddhist-based universities in the southern part of Kyoto city. Then it happened again! In the autumn, a sophomore student from

the Buddhist-based Kyoto Women's University started joining our weekly prayer meeting. In her words, she said, "The KGK summer camp had changed my heart! After being immersed in God's word for 4 whole days, how can one not change?" Last year, when I approached her at our Freshmen Tea, she wasn't keen, but when I contacted her this time, she was the one that wanted to start something in her campus. So, we meet regularly for prayer and Bible study.

2) The work at the Kyoto University of Education came to a halt about 5 years ago, so we are really thrilled to see a first-year coming in. Though this first-year student was quite alien to campus ministry, by God's grace, she was willing to meet with me on a regular basis for prayer and Bible study. During one of my campus visits, I bumped into her and her two non-Christian friends. On another occasion, she shared, with a tinge of disappointment, that "I'd tried inviting my two non-Christian friends to our meeting today, unfortunately, they had something on". This Christmas, she was able to hand them some tracts.