



Second Level Ministry

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~2015 Wakako's Mission Updates~

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Hallelujah! I wish that all of you will remain in peace with God and His Word. 2016 is right around the corner in Atlanta, Georgia. Exactly last year, I was able to participate in the Japanese Christian Conference in Southern California. In May, I was able to participate in the Japanese Christian Conference in Chicago. At both conferences, it was my pleasure to give my time and talents to serve the Lord with many other Japanese believers. We shared many blessings and testimonies.

*Discipleship

I continue to serve our Lord as an associate staff of Second Level Ministry and share with others how to disciple new Christians. By His grace, God has brought some fruits through the discipleship. I used Skype weekly to lead 'Who am I in Christ' discipleship Bible study. The purpose of this study is to help new Christians grow in their faith by knowing their true identity in Christ and to develop a deeper relationship with God.

Also, as a mentor, I spent with a Japanese Christian sister who was preparing to return to Japan. She was worried about many obstacles before returning to Japan such as finding a job, committing to her local church, relationships with her family, how to continue to grow in Christ and choose God's will first. I am glad to report that her faith has been growing; discipleship has been working in her Christian life.

I am also leading a prayer time each month. In my local church, I serve for the children's ministry. Also, I help physically and mentally

challenged children to serve the Lord, worship, and enjoy time with other children. Periodically, I participate with the Celebrate Recovery support group as a leader; I teach lessons for this group. God is showing me how to understand His vision for me not by my actions or good deeds, but by knowing Him personally. Through a deeper relationship with God, He is teaching me to seek God's guidance and His Will for me.

*My parents got baptized!



My parents accepted Christ as their savior and were baptized in water in September! My mother received Christ twelve years ago, but wasn't committed to her faith. When I visited her three years ago, things changed. She started joining my home church, learning the Bible with the pastor, and understanding God's plan and character. At the same time, my father joined the church to participate in Bible study. I am joyful and excited to say that they are now truly my family, in Christ and part of the Naha Baptist Church.

*Okinawa Mission trip in June, 2016

It has been three and half years since my last visit to Okinawa, my hometown. If God allows me to serve again in Okinawa this upcoming 2016, I would like to serve God in leading my brothers and sisters in spiritual growth and support someone who needs spiritual guidance. If possible, I would like to lead workshops that teach our identity in Christ, God's gift for all Christians. Through the Second Level Ministry social media outlets, I would like to share that Second Level Ministry can support believers to grow daily and provide many resources as well.

For this summer 2016 mission trip to Okinawa, I'm raising \$3500.

I would like to ask each of you to help me raise the goal. This is not my mission, and I will not be able to accomplish the objectives of this mission trip without your gracious help and support. I will trust God to open the door for me. Also, I would like to ask you to be prayer partners with me for the success of this mission trip. Your prayers are requested before and during this trip, since I will be in spiritual battle in Japan. I can't emphasize enough how important it is for you to pray for me while I am in a spiritual battle in Japan. Only God's power can defeat the darkness. I give thanks to God in advance your commitment.

"My thoughts are completely different from yours", says the Lord. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts. (Isaiah 55:8-9)

I pray that all Japanese people will understand this Word, accept the truth and serve the Lord.

Wakako Minamoto

Prayer requests

Please pray for the following:

- 1) That God will use Second Level Ministry to support believers to spiritually grow and mature in Christ.
- 2) That believers will recognize the importance of discipleship and training for us to grow and be mature in Christ.

To support Okinawa mission trip

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