



Grace Jackson

Serving the Lord in Japan



Dear Praying Friends,

December - January
2025

Prayer Requests

- For my visa to come through without any issues
- An apartment (I will be going to meet with realtors on Monday)
- Language School
- For God's wisdom and guidance as I get settled into life in Japan.
- Opportunities to witness

Praises

- I am finally in Japan!
- I was able to come on a tourist visa
- All of my luggage made it safely.
- For the amazing church and staff of Senri Newton who have already done so much to help welcome me to Japan.

Photos

1. My last service at my home church.
2. My parents saying goodbye as they dropped me off at the airport
3. Senri Newtown Baptist Church, the church I will be working with in Japan.

The much awaited day has arrived! I have finally made it to Japan. As I sit here and write this it is my second full day in Japan and I could not be more excited to be here! It is in a large part because of your prayers and financial support that I am able to be here and I sincerely thank you for being willing to partner with me so that I can follow God's will for me in Japan. I am excited to see what God has in store for the next few years.

If you may recall I was sick in November with pneumonia and unfortunately I was again sick in December, this time with Fifth's Disease. Thankfully I was better by the holidays and am grateful that I got to spend one last Christmas and New Years with my family.

In January I made plans to leave and drove back to have one last service at my home church before flying out. While making plans to leave I realized that due to the delay one of my documents for my visa had expired (I had not known that it had an expiration date). This meant that I would need to reapply for both the document and the visa. I immediately resubmitted all the paperwork but was not sure if I would be able to go to Japan then or if I would have to wait for the visa to be approved. Thankfully after talking to the Japanese Consulate I realized that I could go on a tourist visa while I wait for my regular visa to be approved. That is what I am currently here on now and I would covet your prayers for my regular visa that it will be approved speedily (it usually takes about 5 weeks) and without any issues. Some things I will not be able to do until after I get my visa and resident card but this coming week I will be looking at apartments and language schools and hope to start language school as soon as possible. I am currently staying at the church and am looking forward to being able to be involved in the church's ministry.

Thank you for all your continuing prayers'

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