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### THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE FRONT IN FAR EAST ASIA

**SEPTEMBER 2016** 

PRE-FIELD MINISTRY IN MISSOURI, GEORGIA. FLORIDA, AND OKLAHOMA

Tim changing the tire on the camper



# Isaac and Elisha practicing Japanese

Jim, Amy, Jenelle, and Tim Six years ago in Japan

### GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

The last two months of deputation have been busy as the Lord has given us a good number of churches to present our ministry at. We praise God for the safety on the road especially since we had tire blowouts on two separate occassions. We also praise him for the preaching opportunities. for the relationships that were established and for bringing us three percent closer to leaving for Japan. This past week I was particularly blessed with the opportunity to preach the final Sunday of my sending church's missions emphasis month. We enjoyed the time of fellowship and getting to see our friends again. It's bittersweet to think this was one of the last times we will see our church family before our big move to Japan.

### **NEXT STEPS**

We are looking forward to what the Lord has in store on this next part of our journey as we continue to sell our remaining possessions and prepare to move our family. We are in the process of renewing our passports and will soon be applying for permission to enter Japan on a Religious Activities Visa. Please pray for our passport renewals and visas to be approved and that God would be glorified in the process. By the time you receive our next newsletter we hope to have our renewed passports and visas in hand. Please also pray for the many preparations that have to be finished before we can leave. One of our major prayer requests is finding a buyer for our camper in November. Another major prayer request is that the Lord would provide the remainder of our startup costs. We have almost 50% of our startup costs already raised. Please pray for the Lord to provide the remainder by December. Please pray now for these requests specifically.

### WHAT IS OUR PLAN?

Our missionary friends Jim and Amy Smith and their church family at

Wakaba Bible Baptist Church are anticipating our arrival in December. When we get to Japan, we are planning on serving alongside them while we attend language school before we set out to do our first church plant. It's hard to believe that it's been over six years since we were last at Wakaba. We are excited to be among such precious saints once again.

Timothy, Jenelle, Simon, Isaac, Elisha, & Phoebe **HOW TO DONATE** The McCown Family to Japan PO Box 191 Springfield, MO 65801

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