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JANUARY 2017

PREPARING TO LEAVE FOR JAPAN

VISA STATUS

Since October we have been trying to get permission to enter Japan. This was a quick and simple process for missionaries that have gone to Japan before us. However, we were required to get a special certificate from inside Japan before permission would be given. This prolonged the process about three months, which the Lord used as opportunities for us to honor and submit to the governing Japanese authorities, to be patient, and to be shaped more into the image of Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord for his work in our lives during this time, and that the Japanese government issued our permission to enter Japan this past week.



Since we now have permission, we are planning on leaving for Japan on Monday, January 23. Please pray for our family as we pack our bags and spiritually prepare to move to Japan. Please pray for our extended family that will remain in the USA, that they would continue to find their comfort and family in Christ, and that this momentary separation would increase their longing for eternity.

HOUSING SITUATION

We moved out of our camper this past week that we lived in while on deputation for the past three years. Please pray that it would sell. We are still working on securing a house in Japan. We have found a detached single family home that is a 30 minute walk from the church. Please pray that we will have a house in Japan secured



Please pray for our next month as we learn to balance serving

Wakaba Bible Baptist Church and laying a foundation for a lifetime of seeking the salvation and discipleship of the Japanese for the glory of Christ in Japan.



Timothy, Jenelle, Simon, Isaac, Elisha, & Phoebe

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