



the Scott Family Missionaries in Japan



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Hello Pastors and Praying friends,

It has been a busy, yet wonderful beginning to 2026 for our family over here in Japan. I want to begin by saying thank you. Your prayers, encouragement, and faithful support mean more to us than we can fully express. It is a privilege to serve the Lord here in Japan, and we are grateful to have you partnering with us in this work.

After a very busy holiday season, January brought a seasonal slowdown here in northern Japan as heavy snow began to fall. This year was especially significant, with around 10 to 12 feet of snowfall during that time, piling up higher and higher as space to move it ran out. For comparison, Aomori City, about an hour north of us, received upwards of 18 to 20 feet of accumulated snowfall, making even simple daily travel more difficult during this time of year.

I found myself outside almost every day clearing snow. Because of that, we want to say thank you once again to everyone who gave toward our snowblower. It has been an incredible help and has made a real difference during this heavy snowfall. We are very grateful for your generosity and practical support.

In a very unusual turn for this winter, the snowfall came to an abrupt stop in mid-February, and temperatures warmed quickly. Snow began to melt, and things started returning to normal. I had the privilege of being able to do a small series of lessons for Sannomiyama Bible Baptist Church in Kobe, Japan. During that time, I taught a series of lessons for the men's meeting, ladies' meeting, as well as the youth meeting. It was a blessing to reconnect with people we have not seen in some time, and I am grateful for the opportunity the Lord gave to teach His Word.

March has been a very busy season, which is why I am writing this letter at the end of the month rather than the beginning. We had the privilege of having our home pastor, Pastor Andrew Wolfenbarger, and his wife, Mrs. Amy, visit us here in Japan. We truly enjoyed the time of fellowship together, sharing meals, and catching up.

It was also a very special Sunday while they were here with us. The young man I have mentioned in previous prayer letters, Matthew, trusted Christ as his Savior back in December and recently made the decision to be baptized. While our home pastor was here, we were able to have our very first baptism at our church. It was a great encouragement to our church family and a blessing to see the Lord continuing to work in hearts.

Please be in prayer for our upcoming Easter activities at our church. Pray for Matthew as he continues to grow in his new faith, and for visitors that the Lord would bring. Thank you all once again for your faithful prayers and support. We are grateful for your partnership in the work the Lord is doing here in Japan.

Stringing together,
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