

April 5, 2020

**Please Pray For Our Missionaries,
Tom & Teresa Wilson.**

**Some Pictures of Story's
Reformation/Trunk or Treat
Celebration are Included.**

Tom

&

Teresa Wilson

Japan Music Ministry



Tom and Teresa's information from MTW's Website:

Singing is church planting?

By all means!

**Tom and Teresa direct gospel,
classical,
and church choirs in Japan.**

**Regardless of the genre of music, the results are
the same.**

**Christians are encouraged in their faith and worship.
Secular people not only hear the gospel, but also sing
it with their own lips.**

**Believers and nonbelievers alike find that singing
God's praises brings hope and joy.**

The Wilson's ministry is growing as Christians in the choirs share Christ with non-Christian choristers and other Christians who have been out of church fellowship come back into fellowship and worship.

Non-Christian choir members who have studied the Bible for years connect the knowledge in their heads with their hearts while singing, and come to faith.

Other non-Christian choir members begin to attend Bible studies and worship services, and then bring their family members and friends as well.

Please pray that the Wilson's choirs would help establish new churches and help old churches reach their communities. May God be worshipped in Japan! "Let them give glory to the LORD and proclaim His praise in the islands." (Is. 42:12)





The
WILSONS
in NAGOYA

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The wonderful thing about praying is that you leave a world of not being able to do something, and enter God's realm where everything is possible." ~ Corrie ten Boom

Please pray with us about these updates:



New church plant:

Our team is working in several locations to start new churches.

Since returning, we have met weekly to pray with missionaries and a Japanese pastor in one location called Higashiyama. The work there has been difficult, and yet it is clear that the Lord has directed our team to this region of Nagoya to pray, make new contacts and evangelize.

Please pray that the Lord will build His church and that we as a team will be sensitive to His Spirit in how to continue the work of sowing seeds in this neighborhood.



Choir Ministry: We now share directing the gospel choir ministry with a Japanese director. She is a radiant Christian who exudes the joy of Jesus and gospel music. We are not only glad to share the responsibilities of the workload with her, but also happy to expose our singers to another Japanese Christian who willingly shares Jesus with them in word and deed. Please pray for her, Yuri, and for the many who are still hearing the gospel.

A couple of weeks ago, the boychoir held its first gathering after a year long break. To be honest, I was nervous about how many would come and express interest in continuing to sing. Many of the boys are now in junior high school, which means they are VERY busy with difficult studies and club activities that require so much of their free time.

It is a common challenge for the Japanese church to maintain relationships with children once they enter junior high. Of the nineteen boys that I contacted, sixteen came to our first get together and most intend to keep singing.

We will even bring in some new members who formerly sang with a boychoir in Michigan. I am thrilled to continue to lead these boys in singing and hold out the words of life to them.

Please pray specifically for K and his mother. He had a difficult year and has not been around the church since our last boychoir concert before we left for home ministry assignment.

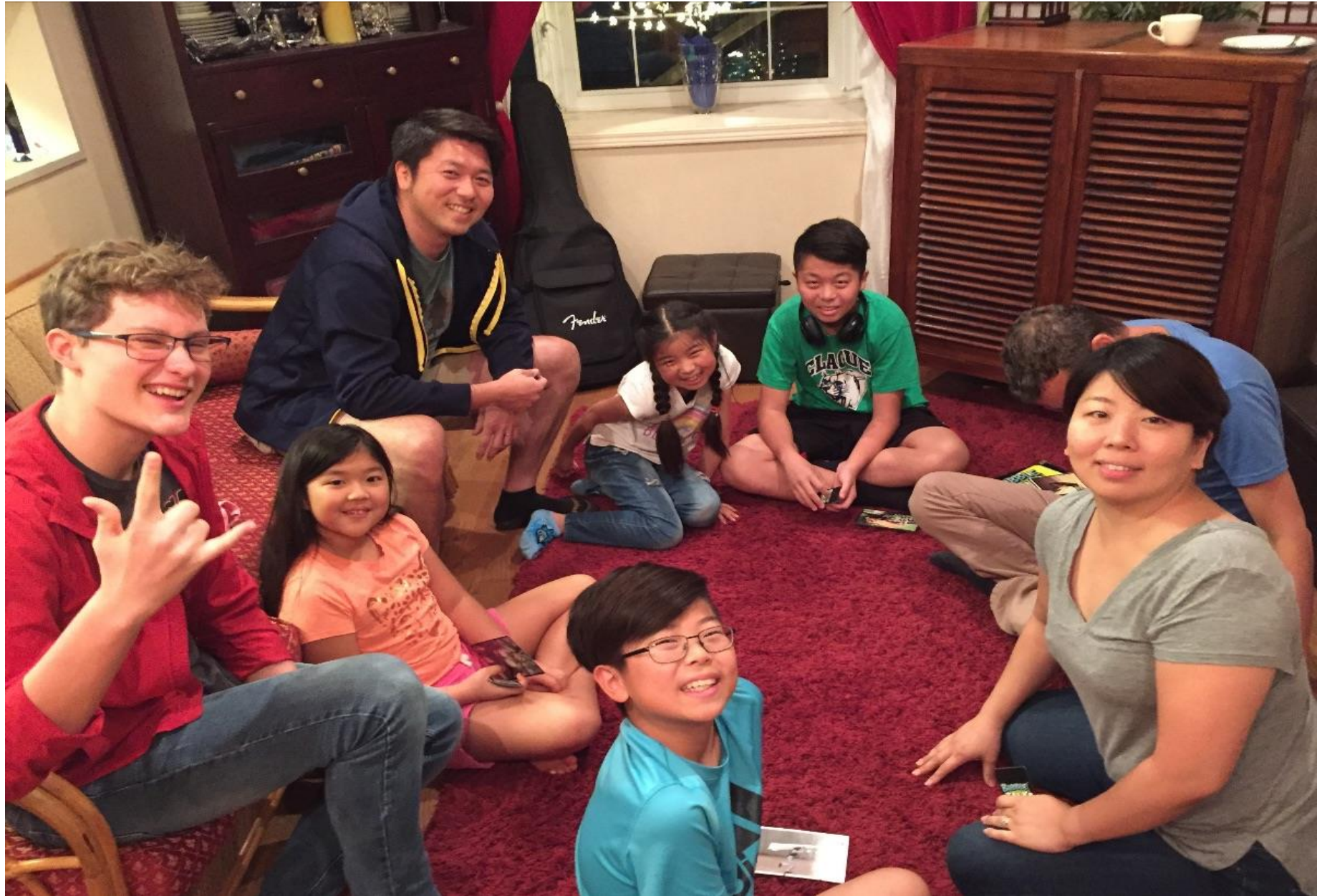
His mother tells us that in the past year he has read and re-read every Bible comic book that we gave him. On the way home from our first gathering last week, he told his mother, “Yeah, Christianity is for me.” It is such a strong statement from a fourteen year old! His mother now wants to do a Bible study with Teresa so she can learn more about Christianity.



Education: Many of you pray for us about the challenges we and other missionaries face in educating our children in Japan. It's hard! In Nagoya we are blessed to have three MTW teams of missionaries as well as other cooperating missionaries involved in church planting, youth ministry, and seminary education. So many children would benefit from a new Christian educational environment in our area.

We have gathered with missionaries from each team several times to pray for the Lord's direction and provision and are waiting on the Lord to show us how to move forward for the upcoming school year. Please pray with us for God's provision of the right teachers and an administrator.

In the midst of questions, dreaming, and praying, we are thankful for Scriptures like Isaiah 44 which says, “Fear not. . .For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants. . .This one will say, ‘I am the LORD’s’, another will call on the name of Jacob, and another will write on his hand, ‘The LORD’s’ and name himself by the name of Israel.”



Thanks so much for prayers for our children. Ian's headaches are not quite as frequent these days (though we would still appreciate prayer for them to completely go away).

By God's grace, all three kids have overcome some major challenges in their educational environments and are settling more into things. Your prayers make a difference and are still needed.

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OCTOBER 31ST WAS COLD, DAMP, &
DREARY OUTSIDE.
NOT SO IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL!
THE FOLLOWING
SLIDES SHOW WE HAD A
GREAT TIME JUST BEING TOGETHER!











































TO GOD BE THE GLORY