

“But these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.”

John 20:31

Nippon NEWSFLASH

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you all once again for your continued support of the work God is doing here in Japan! It is hard to believe that we are already on week 7 of this 8 week term!

I praise the Lord for the opportunities He is giving us as staff this term to help our students understand what it means to become a Christian, to have assurance of salvation, to share their testimonies, to act on the truth of the Word of God and not our feelings and to desperately need the Word of God every day of our lives. These are just a few of the major topics that have come to light this term that God has given us opportunities to teach on and live out.

Due to teaching our students about these things, it has also been a challenge for me to examine my own heart and life. God has been reminding me recently about my desperate need for Him each day. Christ said that He is the “Bread of Life.” We all eat about three times a day. We need physical food to sustain our physical bodies. Even more so we need the Word of God as spiritual food to feed us spiritually. When I just barely fit time with God into my schedule, or leave it till the last thing I do before I go sleep at night, I am communicating to God through my actions that His Word and time with Him is not very important. It is pride to think that I am okay and I can make it through my day pretty well without Him, and only try to squeeze Him in somewhere. I want to be desperate for the Lord each day, believing that I can do nothing without Him. The flesh is strong and a real enemy awaits to destroy me, that is why I so desperately need the Lord. I thank God for how He challenges my own heart through the things I am teaching and sharing with the students here.

I hope this was an encouragement to you as well as you plan your schedule each day. He deserves the first fruits of our time and energy.

Sincerely,

Karina Thrush



Upcoming Events:

October 17-24: Mid-term break

December 4: Fall term ends

December 10: Fly home

Prayer & Praises:

Wisdom in taking opportunities to share truth with our students.

Staff unity and teamwork.

Direction as I begin to pray and seek out the next step for the future.

