

Nippon NEWSFLASH

“...I am the LORD who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.”

Leviticus 11:45

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and financial support for the spreading of the gospel in Japan. My time in the states has been full of excitement as I have had the opportunity to share at my supporting churches, a Sunday School class and with supporters one on one. In the month of January, my mom and I traveled to the Word of Life Missions Conference held at the Bible Institute. The conference was a wonderful refreshment as we heard stories and teaching from Scripture from the regional directors of Word of Life around the world!

We were encouraged to put our “yes” card on the table. So often we want to know where God wants us and what He wants us to do, but God is more interested in whether or not we are determined and have already decided to follow Him whenever He reveals the “where” and the “what” and the “how” to us. He doesn’t want His plan to be just another option on the table for us to decide what to do with our lives, but rather the predetermined only option. I have decided to put my “yes” card on the table once again as I seek what the future holds for me after this year in Japan.

Our SYME team has also just finished a staff retreat/planning time in Tennessee. It was so good for us to come together as a team and talk about this year and our long term goals for our students and the ministry and what steps we are taking to get there.

I have enjoyed my time home very much reconnecting with many of you. Thank you for your encouragement during this time.

In Christ,

Karina Thrush



Upcoming Events

- March 1: Fly to Japan
- March 18: Spring term begins
- May 13: Spring term ends

Prayer & Praises

Pray for 15–20 students each term this year.

Safety in travels back to SYME.

Our staff would be able to connect with our graduates better and know how to encourage them to get involved in the ministry in Japan.

I will wait patiently for God’s direction for the future.

