



JAPAN PRAYER CALENDAR

FOREWORD

Welcome to the 2012 Japan Prayer Calendar. Last year was an extraordinary one for Japan with the great Tohoku earthquake and tsunami in March, compounded by the nuclear crisis at the damaged Fukushima reactor. It was also an extraordinary one for the Church in Japan as many churches came together to help to the people of Tohoku including churches from outside the region. Let's pray all the more for the growth and unity of the Church in Japan this year, and for the Japanese people, following these momentous months..

The Prayer Calendar is divided into three sections - topics related to JCL's work, general prayer for Japan and the Japanese and a section on our sister organisation, JEB, and the work of the JEB churches. The calendar is designed so that you can use it daily over the course of a month by praying through the items over 30 days as indicated. Alternatively, you could pray through one item a week over the course of a year.

Thank you for praying!

“Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possessions” Psalm 2:8

JCL's Vision is ...

“To help make a significant difference in the progress of the gospel among the Japanese people over the first half of this century.”

We will seek to do this through educating, encouraging and equipping the Body of Christ, so that, more and more, through an expanding network of people, the good news of Jesus Christ will be proclaimed clearly, and disciples of Jesus Christ multiplied among the Japanese people, for his glory. (Matthew 28:19-20)

Japan

● The number of evangelical Christians in Japan remains low, thought to be well under 1% of the population. Meanwhile, society struggles with a number of big problems - ramifications of the Tohoku earthquake, tsunami and damaged nuclear reactor, job insecurity, a rapidly ageing population etc. But many opportunities exist to share God's love.

DAY 1

Tohoku

Reconstruction work will continue throughout this year in the Tohoku region devastated by last March's massive earthquake and tsunami. **Give thanks** that many of the few Japanese churches in the region have come together to help survivors and pray that this spirit of cooperation will continue. **Ask** that their work will serve as a powerful witness to the community and that many will come to faith this year. Pray that they would



have the wisdom and sensitivity they need to continue to deal with the many suffering people in the region, and that church leaders would receive good support from their church members to sustain them. Pray too that God would give each of them his vision for outreach in the region and that new work which has sprung up in communities would continue to make the Church relevant to ordinary Japanese.

DAY 2

CRASH Japan

CRASH (Christian Relief, Assistance, Support & Hope) Japan continues to send many Christian volunteers to work with survivors and Japanese churches in Tohoku and other areas affected by natural disasters. Volunteers offer practical help and emotional support to those affected. **Pray** that each of those who volunteer this year would in



some way be able to provide real comfort and share the hope that they have in Christ with those affected by earthquakes, typhoons and any other disasters. Ask for guidance for Jonathan Wilson, CRASH's President and founder, as he leads the organisation, for continued and increasing good cooperation with Japanese churches, and that all of their resource needs would be met.

DAY 3

Mission Organisations and Missionaries

Give thanks for the many individuals serving as missionaries in Japan, and for the organisations that support them. **Pray** that God would guide each one this year, and that through them he would bring many people into his kingdom. Ask for wisdom for each missionary as he/she tries to find the most appropriate way to work alongside Japanese churches, and for good understanding on both sides. Ask too that God would continue to send his people to Japan to share their faith there, whether as traditional missionaries or in other capacities.

DAY 4

The Japanese Church



Give thanks for the faith and perseverance of the Japanese Church and ask that God would strengthen his Church in Japan this year. Pray that more younger people will be led into church leadership in many different ways. **Pray** for pastors who carry most of the burden of church work, and that people would come forward to help them. Ask that the Lord would give

his Church a vision to reach the nation for him and that he would lead them into effective new forms of outreach. Pray for good understanding between the older and younger generations of church leaders that allows the Holy Spirit to work freely through both generations.

DAY 5

Returns

A high proportion of Japanese who become Christians continue to do so whilst overseas in countries such as the UK and US, particularly younger people and students. **Pray** for all those working to reach Japanese overseas, including JCL partners, OMF and Friends International in the UK, and the Reaching Japanese for Christ network in the US and ask God to lead them into contact with Japanese seeking hope and answers this year. Since church culture in Japan is different from that in the West many Japanese find it difficult to settle into a church when they return to Japan. Pray that each one returning to Japan this year would be led to good Christian fellowship and people who will encourage them in their walk with the Lord. Ask too that Japanese churches would recognise returnees as a blessing to the Church in Japan and would welcome them freely.

Working People

Working hours and the all-encompassing nature of Japanese corporate life continue to be a great challenge to reaching working people in Japan. Often social lives, as well as working lives, revolve around the company, with employees even living in company housing and knowing few people outside the company. **Pray** therefore for God to open up ways to reach these people with the gospel. Pray especially for Christians in Japanese companies, that they would be bold in sharing their faith. **Ask** that God would raise up good role models for working people who would improve perceptions of Christianity among professionals. Pray for the VIP Club network, whose aim is to reach working people and who hold regular meetings throughout Japan and overseas, including in London.



Children

As Japan's birth rate continues at record lows the population is starting to decline and numbers of children to fall. Increasingly both parents are working and children are often the people who have most contact with church in Japan with some even using the church as a playground or meeting place after school. **Thank** God for the opportunities this provides for churches to reach these young lives, and pray that they would find good ways to lead them to a firm faith in Christ from an early age. Pray too for good relationships with their parents and that, through the children, churches would also be able to reach the parents and develop relationships of trust leading to whole families coming to faith.



● JCL Mission Partners ●

● JCL Mission Partners and JCL Network Partners work to share the gospel with the Japanese. Mission Partners are often in more traditional missionary or church roles whilst Network Partners take advantage of a wide variety of situations that give them access to Japan and the Japanese to share their faith. Our Mission Partners write regular prayer letters so please ask us for updates from any for whom you would like to pray regularly.

DAY 8

Dawn Bolton, Kobe

Since Dawn returned from UK home assignment in March 2011 to her work at the Kobe Mission Hall and teaching English, she has acquired several new students, and English classes are going really well. Some of the students have also attended the Gospel Workshop now run weekly on Sunday afternoons at the Mission Hall. There is an interest and openness in things spiritual, but **pray** that the Lord would open their eyes to see that he is the truth, and the answer to all their needs. Also pray that Dawn would have wisdom, patience and love as she shares the Bible with them.



DAY 9

Hugh Brown, Kobe



Pray for God's protection and the enabling of the Spirit so Hugh can make the most of every opportunity God has given him to share the Gospel whether in his prison ministry, Ibogawa Church ministry or nationwide ministry in schools, public halls etc. Pray for God's continued protection and provision for the Brown family that his will continue to be done in their lives. **Pray** for the prisoners who have received Christ as Saviour. Many have moved on after being released but Japanese society as a whole can be very severe and unforgiving as it does not have the Christian belief that people can be changed. Pray that they will be effective witnesses for the Lord as he shows he can keep them, and complete the good work he has begun in them.

Rebekah Hwang, London



Please pray for Megumi Church in North Finchley, which Rebekah and her husband Mark started last year, to grow in Christ. Ask that newcomers would settle in and grow in their faith. The church meets every Sunday from 2pm at Trinity church centre.

Pray for God to send more Japanese women to join the Bible studies and English lessons at Rebekah's home and for the coffee mornings at her home,

which are a good chance to share the gospel and enjoy fellowship. Pray also for Zhang who helps Rebekah with this meeting. Please pray for more helpers to join the kids club at Megumi Church and ask for God's protection for Rebekah's family and for good health.

Yoshiko Kojima, Kobe

Yoshiko continues to convalesce after a long illness. **Pray** that her strength will return soon so she is able to go back to more active church work. Daughter Mami is half way through her time at university so join with her in prayer as she considers her future. Pray too for the Japanese church in Milton Keynes, which Yoshiko used to lead, that the Lord would continue to strengthen them and use them to reach other Japanese.



Thierry and Antonia Richards, Tokyo



We **thank** the Lord so much for so many blessings over the past year in Tokyo - particularly the arrival of little Isabella Aya Rochfort Richards, and Thierry's strong progress in his language study. We know the coming year will hold many challenges. Please pray for perseverance with our language study, particularly for Antonia, as juggling caring for Isabella and Japanese lessons can be quite difficult; our non-Christian Japanese friends to

come to know and love the Lord; that we are useful at Grace City Church, loving, serving and building up others, and that we, our pastor and our co-workers wisely decide what our post-language study role at Grace City will be.

DAY 12

Shuko and Michiko Tano, Okinawa



Child Link, the Christian nursery that Shuko and Michiko set up, has proved a great success with twenty children now attending. The Tanos plan to open a second nursery in spring 2012 and to apply for official recognition as a social welfare organisation. **Please pray** for this process, for staff to come forward for the new nursery, and for plans to start an after-school club. **Pray** too for a Christian doctor to be found to help with Silver Link, a project to reach older members of the

community. Pray also for opportunities to share the gospel with students of nearby Meio University and Hokubu Nursing School, and for the spiritual growth of church staff and members as well as for the youth team doing street evangelism. It is hoped that Sabine Scheucher (see Day 21) will join the Tanos to teach English during 2012.

DAY 13

Yuki and Stephen Williams, Shiga

Please pray that the believers at Shigaraki Christ Church, where Stephen and Yuki serve as pastors, will be a powerful witness to the local area which is strongly under the influence of Buddhism and Shintoism. Pray that returnees to the area who are suffering because of opposition to their faith by their families and friends will contact them and that their faith will be strengthened. Yuki plans to go to Holland from 1-5 August 2012 to help at the European Japanese Christians' annual conference. She will be responsible for looking after the Junior and High school students with six helpers. Please pray that seekers will accept Christ and believers' faith will grow. Stephen and she will be in Britain for five weeks from 7 August 2012 so please pray that the Lord will also use them mightily then.



DAY 14

Tim and Ai Williams, Kanagawa

Tim Williams has been serving at Hiratsuka Evangelical Church since July 2011. **Praise** God for the youth and young adults who attend the monthly Bible study there. Please pray that they will come to understand the greatness of the Gospel. Also praise God for the children who attend the Quest English Club and pray that they might come to know Jesus as their personal saviour. Pray for Tim and Ai, as they adapt to married life, that they might continue to encourage one another in their daily walk, deepening in fellowship and faith. Please also pray for Tim's fellowship with the pastors of the church, that they might have unity and a clear vision.



● JCL Network Partners ●

DAY 15

Richard and Yuko Brash, Tokyo

In March, Richard is due to complete his studies at Japan Bible Seminary and Richard, Yuko and their children Kazuma and Isla will begin the pastoral ministry that they are called to (at the time of writing, the specific details are not confirmed). **Give thanks** for the Lord's provision over six years in Bible College (two in the UK, and four in Japan). Pray that the Lord would equip the Brashes for their new ministry, and provide for their needs. **Pray** for protection and the Lord's leading as they move house, find new nurseries, and begin new work in a new place.

Pray that people around them would be given spiritual thirst, and that Richard and Yuko would be able to lead them to Christ, the Living Water. As Jesus told Peter to feed his sheep, ask the Lord to give the Brashes the heart of a shepherd, so that they might care for the Lord's sheep.



DAY 16

Ken and Yuko Chan, Kyoto



Since leaving Nara International Christian Church in April, the Chans have been attending a Japanese church in neighbouring Uji city. They are still adjusting to the various changes and praying whether they should apply for church membership. Ken is now teaching four days a week at universities, but without pastoral responsibilities he can devote more time to Japanese, which is crucial if they are to be more involved in the new church. Yuko has

been looking for suitable part time teaching work at local schools. The Chans are considering the possibility of relocating their three children from their present international school to local Japanese schools, which would be a big change for them and might involve another move. **Please pray** for them as they think all this through, considering factors such as what and where they want to study, where they may want to live in the future, tuition cost etc.

DAY 17

Jim and Kayo Davies, Kobe

Give **thanks** for the way that the members of the small house church that meets in Jim and Kayo's home have grown together over the last year and are an increasingly close team. Pray for the work the church does in the community, including volunteering at a local school. Daughter Eri was born towards the end of 2011 so pray for the Davies as they balance church and family responsibilities, and for son Max who goes to a local Baptist school.



DAY 18

Morien and Yoko James, Ibaraki



Praise God for the arrival of assistant teacher Carel van Renen last January and for his year of successful settling in. Praise God also for the short-term mission last summer with Network Partner Joe Townsend and five others from the UK and for the concert with a Gospel message that they were able to put together using their talents. Please pray for the twenty plus non Christians who came and for those who will see the concert DVD they will be distributing this year, that many would take the message to heart, repent and enter into a life-changing relationship with God. Please **pray** also for the Tuesday Bible club, that boys and girls would continue to come and that Morien and Carel would be able to improve their Japanese so as to be able to teach God's word clearly. Pray for the James family, especially that as two of their four boys change schools this year, they would be led by God and would decide to believe and follow him.

DAY 19

Peter Jamieson, Aichi

Peter has a wide circle of friends in Aichi prefecture where he teaches English. Please pray for opportunities to share the gospel with these friends and that they would come to faith. Pray for Peter to be able to communicate effectively, and for God's guidance and protection day to day.



Akio and Noriko Kawamura, Fujisawa

It is now around two years since Akio and Noriko established Shonan Community Church in an expanding suburb of Fujisawa in Kanagawa prefecture. **Give thanks** for the growing links with local children and pray for good ways to engage with them. Pray too for those who come to English classes that they would want to come to church too. Missionaries Mr and Mrs Carlson, who lead these classes, return to the US from January to July so pray that links with the students would not be lost while they are gone. **Ask** too for someone to come forward who could help realise plans for a mums & toddlers group and café for seniors during 2012.



Tiffany Liang, Miyazaki

Time has flown by and Tiffany is now in her third year as a CIR (Coordinator for International Relations) for Nobeoka City, on the JET Programme. Over the past year she has become much more involved in the local community as well as taking on new positions within the CIR national network. Work often involves long hours and working at weekends, so please **pray** that she would remain physically and spiritually healthy, and maintain a good balance between work and free time. Please also pray for more opportunities to share her faith with those around her, and discernment about the future as she contemplates the next step.



Ian MacLennan, London

Thank God for Ian's job in a Japanese bank and for more Christians working at Japanese institutions in the City of London who are interested in outreach to Japanese colleagues. **Please pray** that God will make it possible for Japanese business people to make time for Christian events and that Christians will be bold and demonstrate practical love and service, as well as share the gospel. Ask that God would break down barriers which stop Japanese business people from hearing and responding to the gospel. Pray too for good conversations with two Japanese staff members in Ian's department, that he will follow these up in a way which leads them to know Jesus. Join him in continuing to pray that God will raise up ten Japanese Christians in each of the three Japanese mega-banks to form the core of a group who can contend for the Lord Jesus within their firms.



Sabine Scheucher, London

After spending time over the New Year in Nago with Shuko and Michiko Tano (Day 12), Sabine plans to return in spring for a longer period. She hopes to teach English and use her training in special education/horticultural therapy to reach out to the community, building on Nago Chapel's existing contacts with a local nursing home and a home for children with special needs. Please pray for her as she seeks the way forward, for funding and for the provision of a visa at the right time.



DAY 22

Jan-Dirk and Ayako Schmöcker, Kyoto

Ayako and Jan-Dirk moved to Kyoto in April 2010 and have started to settle much more now. Their hope is that through their daily activities they might be witnesses of Christ to the Japanese (and other foreigners) around them. Ayako is now in her second year of nursing studies and has made friends among her fellow students. Jan-Dirk is teaching at Kyoto University and has some research students to supervise. Friendships with some colleagues have also developed. At university a small lunchtime Bible study group meets in his office and he hopes that, as well as the foreign staff and students, Japanese would also join. Their daughter Yuriko is now three years old and is mostly enjoying her kindergarten. Since last summer the Schmöckers have been attending a small Baptist church in northern Kyoto and also hope to serve there. They would appreciate **prayer** for Ayako's non-Christian family and for wisdom for their long-term plans. In spring 2013 Ayako graduates and Jan-Dirk's work contract finishes, though there may be the possibility of an extension.



DAY 23

Dave and Heidi Skipper, Tokyo

In Tokyo since September 2010, JCL Network Partners Dave & Heidi have made good progress in their relationships and developing opportunities to reach Japanese outside the church through music. **Pray** for the ladies (and kids!) with whom Heidi spends time in her various Gospel choirs and a mums & toddlers music and movement group. Pray that as well as finding friendship and refreshment they will come to desire and know the lasting peace and presence that only Jesus brings. Pray for Kira, 2, to continue to be a delight to all, and for their second child, due to be born in March 2012. Dave is connecting deeper into the Tokyo underground music scene, especially with noise, electronic and jazz musicians. **Pray** for a humble heart and a godly focus as he invests time in this 'unchurched people group', and that the good friendships he is building there will bear fruit for God's kingdom.



Joe Townsend, Exeter

Please pray for guidance for the short and long term for postgraduate student Joe. In the short term ask for guidance on how to balance work and evangelism, which Japanese friends to devote time and effort to, and how be effective in doing so. In the long term pray about where God wants Joe to be in the future with respect to reaching out to Japanese people. **Ask** for courage to not only take opportunities to bring up the topic of Christianity with Japanese friends, but also the courage to make opportunities! Finally, pray for effective use of Joe's position as secretary on the University Japanese Society Committee, in particular to make the society more appealing to Japanese students. Joe hopes to achieve this through a language exchange programme which he has started.



JCL Office, Sevenoaks

The small team of staff and volunteers in Sevenoaks underpins the work of JCL Mission Partners by offering the practical support they need to enable them to do what they do. Other tasks include raising the profile of Japan among Christians, providing information, resources and training, fostering new outreach and mobilising more people for mission to Japanese. **Ask** that the Lord would guide our work this year and for wisdom in prioritising use of our time and limited resources. Pray too for more qualified local volunteers to come forward to help.

J E B

- JEB is JCL's sister organisation in Japan, consisting of a group of churches, mostly in the Kansai area. Some of those churches are featured here.

DAY 26

Aioi

Please pray for a new teacher for the Samuel Club (children's group) at Aioi church, and for a successor also to come forward eventually to succeed Mr Itoigawa as pastor. Sadly Mr Itoigawa's eyesight continues to deteriorate. Pray for the family of Mr Taniguchi, who passed away towards the end of last year leaving a wife and young family.



Nagao



Give thanks for the Bible school that Nagao church has set up under Mr and Mrs Kawamura, and pray that it will be useful in equipping the believers as disciples of Christ. Please **pray** for the various outreach ministries at Nagao including the soccer team, dance group, children's work and the church school. Last year the church set up a prayer chapel within the church. Please pray that this would be used to realise more prayer for Japan and that the church members would become prayer warriors.

DAY 27

Nagusa

Nagusa Church's theme for the year is praise, so ask that the praise element of services would be strengthened and that praise would be demonstrated in the lives of the believers. **Ask** that people would continue to be saved and that their lives would be fruitful. Finally, **pray** that the children of church members would also come to salvation.



Nishiharima

The small church at Nishiharima is led by Hugh Brown (see Day 9). Pray for their growth and protection since Hugh is often away. **Pray** for non-Christian family members and that church members would support each other and grow together, encouraging each other in their faith.

DAY 28

Oasa

Please **pray** for a new initiative to raise up a new generation of believers via the “Let’s play in English” club which meets in a new area near the church. Currently around twenty children and parents come and are taught by a university student. Pray that this will lead to people coming to church and to faith. Ask that the church would grow together as a family and be filled with joy, for good progress with small groups and for the various concerts and other events that the church puts on to reach out to the community.

Kobe Mission Hall

The Lord continues to bring new people through the doors of the Mission Hall virtually every week. On hearing the gospel, many have made a decision to follow Jesus. New monthly cell groups are working well. New believers and seekers need nurturing and discipling, but the pastoral team cannot cover all of this so please pray that the Lord will continue to raise and build up the church family to respond to this great need and opportunity together. **Pease pray** too that the Lord will protect those new believers from things that damaged and kept them bound in the past, such as addictions, connections with criminals, and family break-ups. Pray that the church family would hear the Lord’s voice as they seek to discover how they can better serve the people in their community.

DAY 29

Shido

Give thanks for those who have come to Shido Church seeking answers, including Mr Kubo, who previously stayed with a Christian family in America, and Mrs Hanaoka, who attended the church as a child and has recently returned. Pray that they will find what they need in Jesus. Ask for more young people to come to church – numbers have declined since several foreign students returned home after last year’s earthquake and as children move up to Junior High School and become too busy to go to church.

Shioya

Give thanks for the four people baptised here last year and the gospel concerts given by three young church members which have led to some of their friends asking for music lessons which will start at church in 2012. Thank God also for the gospel “rakugo” puppet theatre event last October and fundraising events for the Tohoku earthquake and Wakayama floods. Plans for 2012 include a special outreach event on 21 October. Pray for Mr Nakajima as he leads the church, and for the young people involved in the gospel concerts and music teaching. Ask that still more people would come to faith this year.



Day 29 continued overleaf

Shiratori

From 2012 Shiratori pastor Ms Tsuchihara plans to restart worship services at nearby Hiketa Church. **Pray** that this will lead to people there coming to salvation. Ask that God would raise up future church leaders, and that the congregation would be filled with the Spirit.

DAY 30

Shirakawadai

Pray for plans for a new church building at Shirakawadai and for funds for this. Give thanks for the building that was identified last year for evangelistic work in nearby Ureshino and pray for the regular meetings that will take place there this year. Pray for opportunities for church members to be able to share their faith in their neighbourhoods and work places

Takamatsu

Please pray that the members of this young church led by Tepei and Makiko Yamakawa would be filled with the Spirit and would walk in faith. Ask for more people in the community to come to faith, and **pray** for the church school and the children who attend it, that they would grow to be disciples of Christ.



Tsuda



It is now six years since Create Christian School was set up by Tsuda Church and the first pupils have now moved on to university. Give **thanks** for all that has been achieved. Results are good and the school has seen success with pupils who had dropped out of other schools. Please pray now for financial provision for the seven teachers. The Tsuda church praise team goes from strength to strength and last year released its first CD. The team has performed at other churches and even been used in prison. **Pray** for the leader Ms Kamo and for the team members. Finally, please pray for pastor Mizumura, who is much in demand for his work coaching other pastors throughout Japan. Pray for energy and wisdom in balancing the many demands on his time.

● If you have only a little time to pray each day here are a few quick prayer points you could use to pray for Japan.

Mondays

Working People - Long hours continue to leave little time to think about the big questions of life and to be a challenge for Christians in reaching working people. Pray for good, innovative ministries to spring up this year that will be effective in reaching those in full-time work, and for all Christians who work in Japanese companies.

Tuesdays

Tohoku - Pray for the region of Tohoku which was devastated by the huge earthquake and tsunami last year. Ask that many there would find the hope and motivation they need to go on in Christ. Pray for the few local churches, and for the Christians from other areas who continue to visit the area as volunteers - that people would see the difference that knowing Christ makes in their lives and want to know him themselves.

Wednesdays

Outreach to overseas Japanese - Ask that the Lord would continue to lead many Japanese to salvation as they visit and live in other countries. Pray for work led by JCL, OMF, Friends International and others in the UK to share the gospel with Japanese while they are here, and for work to connect them with churches and Christians on their return to Japan.

Thursdays

The Japanese Church - Please pray for all Japanese church leaders, and that more young people would be led into ministry this year – many church leaders are elderly and carry a heavy burden, often with little support. Ask that the Holy Spirit would give leaders his vision for evangelism and for building up the Church in Japan, and that they would be open to new ways of doing things.

Fridays

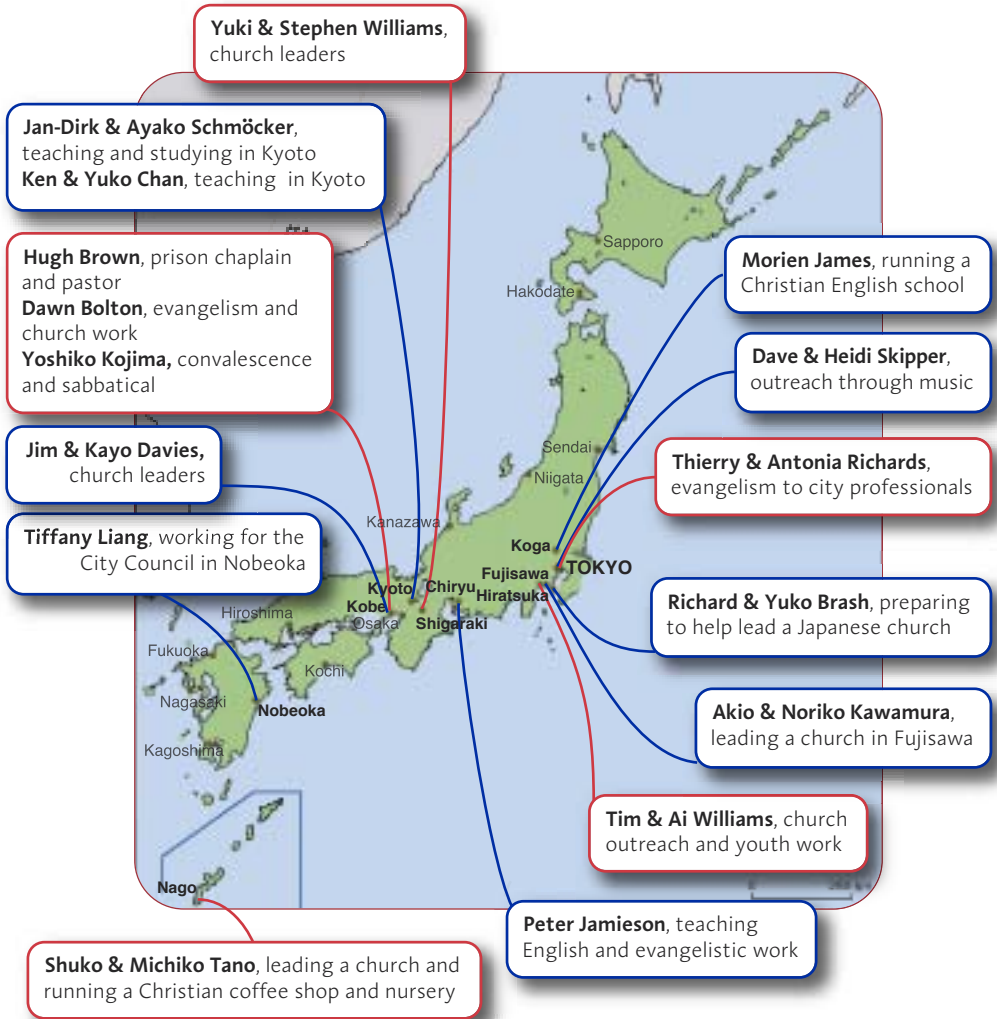
JCL Partners - Over the last year more JCL Partners have moved to Japan. Pray that they would have many opportunities to share the gospel this year and receive daily encouragement in their work. Pray too for those who work to reach Japanese in the UK, that many fruitful connections would be made.

Weekends

Children - In more families both parents are working to make ends meet so children often have more time alone or away from home - which sometimes leads them to churches where they play or join children's groups. Pray that many of these young people would commit their lives to Christ from an early age.

JCL Partners in Japan

The number of JCL Partners in Japan has grown over recent years. You might like to use this map as a guide to where they are as you pray



Our Mission Partners



Our Network Partners



JCL - Who are we?

We were founded as the Japan Evangelistic band (**JEB**) in 1903. Since then JEB's work has led to the establishment of over 150 churches and the Kansai Bible College in Kobe, Japan. In 1999 we changed into our current form, taking the name **Japan Christian Link**. From the UK we build outreach to Japanese in the UK and elsewhere as well as in Japan, and support work now directed independently by our Japanese colleagues (still known as the JEB), through prayer and the work of some JCL Mission Partners. We are **Interdenominational**, with many of the main Christian traditions represented. We are **International**, with workers from several different countries including Japan itself. We are also **Inclusive**, seeking to work with other missions as well as developing our own work. Our work is carried out by a mixture of conventional missionaries, "tent-maker" missionaries and part-time volunteers.

Literature, Opportunities & Information

Do get in touch with us if you are interested in:

- **Getting involved** in work among Japanese. In the UK, Japan or elsewhere you could be part of a diverse network of evangelical Christians, united by a vision for reaching the Japanese with the powerful message of Christ's love.
- Obtaining **Japanese Christian literature** - our bookshop stocks a wide variety of Japanese materials for outreach and discipleship including Japanese Bibles, bilingual Bible studies and books on Christianity, as well as English books relevant to understanding Japan and the Japanese. The list can also be accessed via our website at www.jclglobal.org
- Information on **Christian contacts and churches in Japan** for someone returning there.
- Information about **JCL Conferences** which bring together Christians with an interest in Japan and the Japanese.
- Information on **short-term mission** opportunities.
- Receiving our **magazine** on outreach to Japanese, our regular **Praise & Prayer** news letter or the **prayer letters** of any of JCL's Mission Partners.
- **Supporting** JCL's ministry financially.
- Help in **engaging your church** or other Christian group in meeting the spiritual need of the Japanese. e.g. through prayer or outreach to Japanese in your area.

Further information on all of this, and other news and forthcoming events, is available on the JCL website at www.jclglobal.org

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