



Dear Friends,

Summer 2025

Vision Sunday

This year's City Baptist Church theme is: UNITY. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! (Psalm 133:1) It reflects our desire that we unite to build up the church together.

Mothers and Carnations

This year we set up a photo booth where families can take pictures together. As Japanese tradition, all the mothers got to take home beautiful carnations after service that had been used to decorate the church.

Single Retreat

On the May holiday, the Singles' Retreat was held on the shores of Lake Biwa, where Nathan served through preaching. Many people from independent Baptist churches attended, and it turned out to be a blessed retreat.

Burger Time

Due to Japanese rainy season having started slightly early this year, we had to move the BBQ gathering indoors. Because of that, we were thankful seniors who would not make it to the park were able to join this time. Knowing there will be considerable amount of shower continuously, Nathan pre-grilled bunch of hamburger patties under the patio awning at home (yes, in the rain) a day before. It turned out to be a great success when patties were reheated quite nicely next day.

Angels from Michigan

In early August 10 members from Michigan supporting church came to visit Tokyo to encourage and help our ministry firsthand. Despite the intense heat, they hand-delivered our "Summer Oasis" service flyers at the stations and in neighborhoods. There were new and returning visitors on Summer Oasis worship service.

We hosted "American Pizza Party" for area college students and decided all Japanese participants to only speak English. Because those Japanese students belong to elite colleges, they actually had no problem having fun playing games with Michigan church team. These unsaved students were definitely showing interest in our Faith in God.

There was the annual Beach Volleyball after the service. The temperature reached close to 100 degree, but we enjoyed competing together working up a sweat.

Making Memories

Family Bible Camp was held between August 12th and 14th. It was a great opportunity to get to know more about each other. Praise God that Newly saved Unnie got to attend. The camp included outdoor cooking, a water gun fight, a camp fire, skits performed by married couples.

Nozomi and Miyakawa

A full-time worker Miss Nozomi finally came to know the Lord after a year and half of attending church, and she wants to get baptized as soon as possible. Mr. Miyakawa is still seeking the Truth, however brings his mother to worship services nowadays. Please pray that both mother and son will be saved our prayers!



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