

Dear Friends, Christmas/Winter

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

NURTURING YOUTH

We restarted Teen Sunday School in September - game time followed by devotionals. Our goal is to offer practical Bible applications to young people. Praise God that our children Christopher and Sarah's unsaved friends began attending the Teen group. Please pray for their salvation.

CBC ANNIVERSARY

City Baptist Church celebrated anniversary on 10/29/23. Ruth's dad Pastor Ogawa was the guest preacher from Osaka. 80 people gathered for this special occasion including Ruth's unsaved cousin as well as Nathan's aunt who hasn't been to church last 30 years. It was a great sight to see that all the additional backup chairs were filled.

NEW STAFF

3 interns who graduated from City Baptist College dedicated their lives to full time Christian service and became official church staff on 11/5/23. CBC does not have enough fund to afford full-time salaries, so they are currently part-time staff members. We praise God for their dedication.

MIYASHITA PARK

First ever CBC Beach Volleyball tournament was held at the new tourist spot Miyashita Park in Shibuya on 11/23/23. Many church members sent out invitational texts to unsaved friends, and the attendance was great! Our children Chris & Sarah brought their friends and the parents even came to cheer. Community was very curious about who we were, and we are encouraged to continue this wonderful evangelical event.

RIKUGIEN

We took widows at our church to Rikugien which is considered among Tokyo's most beautiful landscape gardens. The weather was fantastic and we saw TV crews and foreign visitors. Afterwards, ladies enjoyed Italian dinner at reserved restaurant.

CHILDREN'S SPACE

The current landlord only allows CBC to rent main worship service space for adults, so we had to look for a separate building space for kid's church. It is about 5 minutes walk from where main service is held. Please continue to pray that we will find better situation so children don't have to be separated.

CHRISTMAS MIRACLE

CBC offers 2 Christmas services on 12/17 & 12/24. This year we have 5 goals:1. Invite a close friend/family2. Outreach own neighborhood3. Participate CBC evangelical events4. Use texts as personal invitations5. Routinely pray. We prayed for 168 specific names for salvation needs. Choir and Musical participants started practicing Christmas presentation on the weekends since October. May the birth of Jesus Christ be glorified during this Christmas seasons.

Thank you for your support and daily prayers. Nathan & Ruth, Kinoshita









