

MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

Brown Family: Japan

This season has been full of milestones and celebrations for our family. Chris turned four, I turned forty, and we celebrated our first anniversary in Japan—a very special occasion for us. Esther's family came from America. Esther's late father had grown up in Japan and often shared stories about it with her mom, and now she had the blessing of experiencing the country herself for the first time.

In August, I also had the opportunity to lead an extracurricular English activity for grade school children, organized through the city office for one of the local neighborhoods in Kakegawa. While it was not a direct opportunity to share the gospel, it allowed me to build meaningful connections within the community.

One ongoing challenge continues to be obtaining our Japanese driver's licenses. We were unable to pass the transfer exams again. After much prayer, we have decided to enroll in a Japanese driving school. This season of being restricted to bicycles has been physically taxing at times, but it has also brought many blessings. We have met several other foreigners navigating the same challenges, and we are praying for opportunities to share the gospel with them.

I was able to pass the Japanese language exam required by the school, which means I will not need a translator. This is a measurable step forward in my language progress. I look forward to spending extended time in an entirely Japanese-language environment and trust the Lord to bring spiritual fruit. I have been added to the worship service moderator list at Kakegawa Bible Baptist Church, which has been an honor and another opportunity to serve.

Thank you for your support and prayers!

SUNDAY SERVICES

- Worship 8:30 & 10:30am | Life Groups 9:30am

LIFE GROUPS

- Cornerstone (18-30) Faith That Triumphs (2nd floor gym)
- School of Tyrannus (Adult) Galatians (fellowship hall)
- New Horizons (45-60) Life of Christ (educational wing)
- Caring Life Group (55-75) Proverbs (educational wing)
- Graceful Life Group (70+) I Peter (educational wing)
- Ladies Sunday School: Ladies of Contentment (office wing)

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

- AWANA, TeenIMPACT - 6:45pm
- Adult Bible Study - 7pm



WELCOME

Temple Baptist Church

November 16, 2025



TAILGATE SUNDAY

- **11/23: Tailgate Sunday:** Invite your friends for this casual Sunday celebration! You don't want to miss Pastor Devin's preaching, food, and football! Ladies, please bring your favorite side dishes and desserts! The church will grill hotdogs! There will be flag football, games in the gym, and football to watch in the fellowship hall after the 10:30 service! This is a great opportunity for outreach!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **11/22: Teens for Turkeys:** This Wed. is the last day to contribute to Thanksgiving Meals. Our Teens will be serving the community this coming Saturday at 9 a.m.
- **12/11: Ladies Christmas Fellowship:** Sign up in the lobby
- **12/14: Christmas Program** 10:30 and that evening Christmas Dinner at Temple.

BLESSINGS OF GIVING

- **Red Bag Offering:** As of last week, \$2,811.25 has been sacrificially given which means over 50 missionary children will receive \$50 each for Christmas!
- **Special Designation:** The Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings will be used to bolster our general fund due to the rising energy and insurance costs. God has blessed us beyond our needs, and our offerings are a sincere form of worship!

SERVE

Nursery

Today: Darlene Tanner, Shirley Chetister

11/23: Debbie Hand, Sue Lee, Darcy Hanscom

Ushers

Today: Larry Hendricks, Joe Allen, Jason Stewart, Keith Clark

11/23: Steve Hoffman, Rick Wells, Luke Morgan, Cameron West

Offering

Today: Romantha Slape, Christian Blackman

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NOTES

Our identity in Christ Impacts our Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:10-11

Review:

- I. Christ in us **produces** war with the Enemy
- II. Christ in us is **power**
- III. Christ in us is complete **preparation**
- IV. Christ in us is the **provision**

Today:

- V. The Battle **persists**

- VI. The Victory is **promised**



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