

# HOPE FOR JAPAN



## New arrivals to the field

A new group of missionaries came to Sendai to see the work that is being done in the disaster areas. A family of three and two single guys. They are a great group of people and are very eager to serve the Lord. They helped hand out vegetables to the people in temporary housing. We are so blessed to have new people not just come to visit but to stay in country to learn Japanese culture and share their faith with those who live here. Please keep them in your prayers as they go through language school and the family is expecting a new addition this spring.

## Trip to Yamagata

We had the pleasure of helping the Sakata Mission Church with their children's ministry. Michael taught the children some simple English phrases and then gave a short Bible lesson. The kids that came to this event are not from Christian families. They all looked happy as we had a fellowship. Many of the

mothers were blessed as well. Michael also preached during the Sunday morning service. We will continue to help them as they reach out to the community. Work there is truly a labor of love with such a small group but they are hard workers. Please remember them in your prayers.

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently working on having several mission teams here in Sendai throughout the coming year. We pray that if anyone is led to join will do so. We love having guests and we love having people to serve with us. As preparations develop, please let us know if you would like to join us as we minister to those in the disaster areas, teach English, and share our love and faith with others.



Luke loves the snow!!!



Kids that come to our weekly English class.



With a great group of new people on the field.



**When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. Matthew 9:36**

## DISASTER RELIEF

*This winter was especially cold. Along with fresh food, we gave heaters and electric carpets to those who needed them.*



*Fellowship time at one of the temporary housings. Many people have opened their hearts to God.*

## A WORD FROM LUKE

Can you believe I am one year old? If I could talk, and I'm working hard too, I would have a mouth full to say about everything I've seen and experienced the past year. Thank you everyone who cared for me while I was traveling and meeting people. I can't wait to see what the next year brings. God bless you!



## PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES

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| 1. Please pray for us as we prepare for volunteer teams.   | 1. Praise God for those who have come to Christ.  |
| 2. The winter season is not over yet and many are very cold this winter. Please pray for warmth and safety.      | 2. Luke is healthy despite a few coughs and sniffles.   |
| 3. Many have come to know Christ during this hardship. Please continue to pray for those who have been affected. | 3. More people are opening up to the Gospel and more temporary housing units are opening up to having us visit. |
| 4. Please pray for our family as we work to do God's will in an environment that isn't always open to change.    | 4. We have three confirmed teams visiting this area this spring alone.  |
| 5. March is the anniversary of the disaster. Please remember to pray for those who have been affected.           | 5. We are so thankful for all the encouraging emails and letters we receive from friends and family.            |
|  | 6. We are so thankful to be a part of what God is doing here in Japan at this time.                             |