



Tim & Kim Melton

Serving in Nagoya, Japan with Baptist World Mission

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. ~Psalm 100:2

A lot has happened since we returned to Japan after our furlough. It's good to be back working in the ministry that God has called us to.

A new young family has been attending regularly since our return. They formerly attended a house church, but they found our church and started attending. Seeing their faithfulness and eagerness to learn the Word of God is an encouragement.

We needed a new vehicle, and God supplied abundantly more than we could have asked or thought. Tim was able to attend an auction with someone he knows here. Auctions in Japan are far different from ones in the U.S. He was able to purchase a Honda Vezel hybrid that is only two and a half years old with low mileage for a great price. This vehicle should last us for many years to come. It was not without some hassle. We often refer to the red ball on the Japanese flag as the "ball of red tape." There was much paperwork and running here, there, and everywhere before it was all complete.



Four weeks later, we were finally able to drive the car. We are grateful for the Lord's provision and His help in getting all the legal aspects taken care of.

Tim's Health

Thank you for your prayers for Tim during his cardiac ablation on June 24th. He did quite well with the procedure and recovery. He actually had a little office set up in his hospital room by the evening of the ablation!! After the ablation, his heart was in regular rhythm and we were rejoicing! By 7:00 p.m. of the same day, he was back in AFib. This was a disappointment, but we are told that it is not unusual. The doctor prescribed a medication that could help him go back into regular rhythm. We are told that it works 50% of the time with post-surgery patients. We are praying that this will be the case with Tim so that another ablation will not be necessary.

Prayer Requests:

1. Tim's continued recovery after a cardiac ablation
2. Continued strength and good health for the busy summer season
3. Children's and Missionary Kids' camp in July and August. Pray for souls to be saved and MK's to have a heart for the ministry in Japan.

Praises:

1. The provision of a vehicle for us
2. A new couple attending
3. Our daughter's engagement

Family News

We are thrilled to announce the engagement of our daughter, Rachel, to Paul Manos. They have quite a story. They dated in college over ten years ago, and now the Lord has brought them back together. They will be visiting us here in Japan in the month of July. A December 28, 2024, wedding is being planned.

