

August 6, 2006

Our annual Japanese Bible camp will be held again this year for the 9th time at CAMP LIVING WATERS in the beautiful forested area of lower north-central Michigan. Beginning with the opening meeting in the evening of Aug.10th and concluding with the Sunday morning worship service on the 13th.

Pray for our special Japanese pastor speaker Dr. FUKI and minister of music pastor ODA and pastor MIYAZAKI (pastor of the Japanese church with which Winnie and I are affiliated) who also will be sharing from God's word. And yours truly has been asked again this year to lead in the pre-breakfast prayer and devotional time. (attendance optional) There will also for those interested be swimming in the small lake, horse back riding, boating, ball games and hiking. On Friday and Saturday night we will have campfire time with s'mores, praise and testimonies. (Bring your flash light) This has always been a wonderful time of fun and fellowship with our dear Japanese brothers and sisters in Christ.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to bless God's word and for the speakers and the praise song leader especially to be helped by the Lord's anointing and power. About 50 people usually attend. Some years we have even had a couple or three folks come from Japan just to attend. I am not sure about this year. Pray also for the children's programs to be blessed by the Lord.

Thanks for praying.
Blessings.
Dick & Winnie.

PS. Our Theme Verse is:
DEAR CHILDREN, LET US NOT LOVE WITH WORDS OR TONGUE BUT WITH
ACTIONS AND IN TRUTH. 1 John 3:18

August 13, 2006

Thanks for praying. Two men were saved. One was 70 years old and was visiting his Christian son and family here in the U.S.

The weather was great with sunny days and cool nights. The fellowship was wonderful and the meals were delicious. The teaching of god's word was solid. The Holy Spirit really worked in hearts and lives - including mine.

Blessings,
Dick

August 21, 2006

The Lord blessed us with good weather for our church wide yard sale. Last Wed. thru Sat.. Folks from our church brought many articles, even furniture, much of which sold well as folks passed by on the busy highway in front of brother Leo Ehnis' house where the sale was held. Our new church building will be ready for use in October. Praise the Lord. All of the monies that came in from the yard sale go for the work on our new Cornerstone Community Church building in Brooklyn, MI. \$2,200 came in thru the sale. It was a lot of work but worth it. A few folks said they wanted to attend our church. One lady who is divorced was really open to the gospel. Sure enough, just as she said, she was in church at the elementary school where we are currently meeting with us yesterday with her three children. Pray for her as we follow her up. Another 39 year old man, from New York state near the Niagara Falls dropped by to purchase a few things ,and as our conversation turned to spiritual things he told me that he had been a youth director in a church some years ago, but that he had gotten so far away from the Lord he didn't even own a Bible. I said "Ron, Jesus is waiting for you to come back to Him." I prayed with him and gave him some good gospel tracts to read. I clasped his hand and said, "Ron, when you come back to the Lord call me and tell me about it." He said he would. Pray for Ron. I'm not sure what kind of a church he had been in. It may not have been an evangelical church. I didn't probe. Winnie and some others of our folks had conversations with a few guests who said they were interested in coming to our church. It was a fun time.

Blessings.

Dick