



THE BROWN FAMILY TO OKAYAMA, JAPAN



Dear Friends & Supporting Churches,

Nov-Dec 2025

The months of November and December were especially busy and full, closing out our first full calendar year here in Japan. As we look back, we are thankful for how the Lord has allowed us to stay focused, encouraged, and moving forward, even in the midst of a very full schedule.

One of the highlights of these months was the visit from our mission director and his family. It was a great blessing to spend time together discussing the progress the Lord has allowed, as well as prayerfully considering direction and goals moving forward. During this time, we also had the privilege of hosting his daughters for a couple of weeks while Bro. Adam Crabtree and Miss Brandie traveled to Laos to minister to another Beacon missionary. Having them with us was a joy, and we were thankful for the opportunity to be a help and encouragement during that season. While they were with us, we also had the opportunity to be involved in an English class presentation at our children's school alongside the Crabtrees' daughters, which was a meaningful way to engage with the school and support our children in their learning environment.

After completing driving school, we were excited to return more fully to our Japanese language studies. With the structure and time back in place, I was able to finish one of my Japanese textbooks by the end of the year. That felt like a meaningful milestone, and Lord willing, I plan to attempt the JLPT N4 sometime in the coming year. While there is still a long way to go, it has been encouraging to see steady, measurable progress.

We continue to make connections in the community as well. Through regular places we frequent, friendships are forming and relationships are slowly being built. These have opened more opportunities to speak about church and about Christ. While it can be surprisingly difficult to have long conversations in the midst of Japan's busy pace of life, we are trusting that many short conversations, over time, will allow seeds to be planted. Lord willing, in His time, He will bring the increase.

As we close out our first full year in Japan, we do so with thankful hearts and anticipation for what lies ahead. We are excited for the path forward into 2026 and for the continued work the Lord has prepared before us. Thank you for your faithful prayers, support, and encouragement throughout this past year. We are grateful to serve alongside you in this ministry.

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