



Special points of interest:

- English conversation classes used to introduce people to the church community.
- Japanese people willing and eager to talk to Australians.
- Less than 1% of Japanese are believing Christians
- 80% Japanese claim no personal religion.

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Come over and help us

“Our American English teacher has had to go home sick. Do you know of anyone who could come and teach in his place?” This was the plea that Miyako sent out to Bruce Young at the Spiritual Life department of Mission to the World based in Lawrenceville Georgia.

Bruce works closely with John and Sue Burch who knew of our interest to teach English as a ministry.

Within 48 hours of the need going out, an email from Bruce had arrived at the Myers’ home.

” Can you come over and help us? This pastor is my spiritual father. He is a great evangelist and has a wonderful ministry of introducing people to Jesus”

We brought this need before our loving Father. We had a list of concerns that would need to be taken care of.

Within days we talked to Bruce and to Miyako (Pastor Horikoshi’s daughter) and let them know that we would be willing to come and help. Miyako is our translator. Her father does not speak English very well and we have been working out details through her even though she lives in South Carolina.

Our visa application is being sponsored by Mission to the World in Nagoya—our nearest big city.

1 Peter 3:15

‘But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But does this with gentleness and respect...’.



God is able to do far above all that we ask or think...

What about....

- Health needs?
- Funding?
- Ministry opportunities?
- Care of our house?

One by one we have witnessed God providing for us.

We will be covered by the Japanese national health scheme.

Our plane tickets have been paid for.

A house and car are being provided for us as well as a small monthly sti-

pend given in payment for teaching the conversation classes. We will have the opportunity to teach a Bible segment in each class.

Warren has been asked to preach in the church occasionally.

We have found house sitters from within our church fellowship.

A day in the lives of

During the week...

The morning will be for devotions and preparation of the daily lessons.

Our English classes will start at 2 p.m. with the tiny tots followed by the primary age group. Next will come the teenagers, the women's and the men's groups finishing up around 9 p.m. each night.

On Sundays.....

There will be junior church, then Sunday School followed by adult worship then a church lunch followed by afternoon meetings.

We will have a Sabbath day of rest during the week.

Japanese culture has little concept of a five day week with a weekend.



Operation World states that churches in Japan experienced good growth between 1945 and 1960, but have grown only marginally since then. Its growth is hindered by a lack of strong biblical teaching, non-active membership and backsliding, a lack of breadwinning men in the congregations, too few viable active congregations, and a lack of understanding about evil spirits. At least 70 percent of congregations have an average attendance of less than 30. Shintoism and various cults are on the rise.

Many Japanese churches are using English classes to reach out to the community.

“We are Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us.”

2 Corinthians 5:20

How Can You Pray for us?

1. That we will be faithful to set apart Christ as our Lord everyday.
2. For physical and emotional strength to be good English teachers.
3. To serve the church well.
4. To be good communicators of the saving love of Jesus in spite of language barriers.
5. To come up with relevant, practical Bible teaching times with each age group.
6. To be able to work alongside the pastor and assist him in living out the gospel before the watching community.
7. To have good listening ears as the students express themselves to us.
8. To be able to learn some Japanese culture and language.
9. That Warren will be able to communicate the gospel effectively when he preaches through a translator.
10. That God will grow His church.

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If you would like to start writing to one of our English class students, just let us know what age group and we will arrange it for you. This will involve you in our ministry, help grow new friendships and encour-

age students in their use of English.

If you would you like to receive our newsletters we will publish updates on our blog site or send it to you by e-mail if you would prefer.

If you would like to contribute to our supply of English teaching resources, this would be a great help to us.

Please pray for us.

Jesus is worthy.

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“To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

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Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message you're trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

near the image.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image

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Your Address Line 3
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555
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E-mail: someone@example.com

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

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Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can in-

clude a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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