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**ARRIVAL**

Well folks....WE HAVE ARRIVED!! As of this letter, we are officially on Japanese soil. Although there is much yet that must be accomplished in getting "settled", we are doing our best to truly enjoy each of these first moments on the field. We have already seen God working in great ways in providing transportation and lodging.

**ACCLAMATION**

One of the major adjustments for our family is the process getting registered legally with the Japanese Immigration offices. We did find out that we MAY have to pay into the Japanese pension system. We have applied for an exemption from this, but it will take two months before we hear back from the pension board. If we have to pay, it will cost roughly \$375 a month. No doubt this would be a difficult bill to pay each month. **Please pray that our exemption is approved and we will not be required to pay this tax.**



Also, we are settling on a home. Housing for American families tends to be expensive (usually about \$2,500 p/m), but we have several Japanese friends who have helped us negotiate the rent payments down. Things have gone well, but we have much paperwork to do before we close on the contract. **Please pray we find the right house, not only for our family, but for hosting visiting families to Faith Baptist Church.**

**Please pray for us, as the Parkers are now back in America on a three month furlough. It was a bit of a whirlwind as we arrived, but things at Faith Baptist Church are going well. Please pray for traveling mercies as they report to churches and for safe travel back to Iwakuni in July/August. We have much work to do here in Iwakuni (more to come next month ☺).**

**IN CLOSING**

We are so grateful to be here, in the place God has called us. He has done so much to bring us here. We would be remiss if we did not express our gratitude to you as well, however. Thank you for your continued, faithful prayers on our behalf! God is working, and we pray he blesses you in response. As always, if you have any questions, or if you just want to drop a line, please feel free to email us! We always love to correspond with you folks!

Because He Lives,  
Brandyn, Alicia, Dawsyn, and Gavin Knight  
*THAT THY WAY MAY BE KNOWN UPON EARTH,  
THY SAVING HEALTH AMONG ALL NATIONS.*

~ PSALM 67:2