



NOZOMU OGAWA
serving in TOKOROZAWA CITY

Dear Prayer Partners,

Thank you for your constant prayers—we need them as we try to reach out to the lost here in Tokorozawa City.

Mrs. Reiko Takara approached me last April and told me that she desired to become a Christian. We praise the name of the Lord and thank you for your prayers. Her intention to follow Christ in baptism has become clear to us now. We found out that she needs her family's approval in order to be baptized. However, she will be starting the baptism preparation class soon and hopes to be baptized in October. Pray that her decision will be strengthened by the Holy Spirit and that her faith will be sustained by the Lord. Please also pray for her husband, that he will clearly understand her conversion.

You may remember a man by the name of Isamu Sasaki who came to our church at the beginning of the year. He had been coming to church regularly and had wanted to solve his problem of domestic violence. Since June, we have not seen him or heard from him. We feel a deep sadness that he was not truly seeking after the Lord. According to those closest to him, he had no awareness of his sin. This came as a great shock to us. Please continue to pray for Isamu. Pray that he will be led to true repentance and faith in Jesus Christ.

This past month we did not have any newcomers to the church. Please pray that God would guide us to those who are ready to hear the gospel message. Pray that He would open doors for us to evangelize our neighbors and friends.

We are grateful for the part you have in the spreading of the gospel in Japan. May the Lord God be glorified by our faith and work.

Blessings to all,

Pastor Nozomu Ogawa

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Pray for the spiritual growth of the body*
- *Pray that Mrs. Takara's faith will be strengthened and that she will remain firm in the faith*
- *Pray for the salvation of Mr. Takara*
- *Pray that God would touch Isamu's heart, causing him to repent and believe*
- *Pray that God will draw new people to the church and to salvation in Christ*
- *Pray for godly wisdom, health and encouragement for Pastor Ogawa*

Pray the people of Japan will see the value of the Gospel.

