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## WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP JAPAN?

Rev. Rick Chuman, Executive Director

March 11, 2011. A date now etched into the minds of millions. A date that changed the lives of 128 million Japanese. An event that brought the world together to respond with generosity, compassion and mercy.

Ever since the day after the disaster, JEMS has received many phone calls and e-mails from concerned individuals and churches asking what they can do to help Japan during this time of crisis. I'd like to offer a few possibilities.

Many have asked about going to Japan to help with direct disaster relief. JEMS is partnering with a group called, CRASH (Christian Relief Assistance Support and Hope). Their headquarters is located in Higashi Kurume. They are a volunteer organization that has been mobilizing Japanese Christians as well as foreign missionaries to go to areas that have been affected by the tsunami. If you are an individual wanting to go to Japan to serve at CRASH, we have partnered with Campus Crusade for Christ to send teams of relief workers starting this July. Please go to [www.gosummerproject.com](http://www.gosummerproject.com) for more info.

Now there may be some folks who would like to go to Japan but can't due to work schedules, finances or health limitations.

Mountain of bottled drinks outside what used to be a convenience store.



The Wests were able to bring the news of Mr. Sasaki's safety to his brother, whom he had met in Arizona!

International, ISI, ISM, and others that can provide ways for you to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the Japanese who are right here in the United States. Given all that has happened in Japan, I believe the young students have many questions pertaining to life and death.

If this is the case, perhaps you can think of encouraging your church to set up a partnership with a church in Japan. There is an organization called, "Churches helping Churches." (CHC) This is taken from their website regarding their operational identity. One thing they desire to do is networking: 1) Connect churches/organizations with one other and 2) create opportunities for churches in need to build relationships with sponsoring churches for ongoing encouragement and support.

Perhaps your church can join the ministry of CHC in order to be paired with a local church in Japan. For more info, please go to [www.churcheshelpingchurches.org](http://www.churcheshelpingchurches.org).

Another option in getting involved with Japan is by being a friend to a Japanese international student. The Japanese are more open to the Gospel when they are outside of their home country. There are a number of International Student ministries like Bridges

Finally one last thing to consider. The cost of going to Japan is roughly \$4000.00 through Campus Crusade for Christ. Four people going to Japan for three weeks is \$16,000. Can you imagine if our missionaries received that kind of a financial boost in their account, especially since the dollar to yen rate is so bad right now? Our missionaries like the Masons, Wests, Vanfarowes, Lily Suzuki, Gayle Gutierrez and Anne Winters have long standing friendships with the Japanese. Please consider supporting them as a way to reach Japan in this time of crisis.

This issue has articles from some of our missionaries in Japan, especially as it pertains to the disaster. Please read them to get a sense of how we can continue to pray for Japan. Brothers and sisters, the time for the Gospel to really make its' mark in Japan is now. Let's pray for that to occur.

## EXCERPTS FROM JEMS JAPAN MISSIONARIES & AFFILIATES (The full reports may be found on [www.JEMS.org](http://www.JEMS.org))

### Anne Winters, Tochigi Ken, New Life Church Omochanomachi

**March 12, 2011, 9:59pm:** I'm supposed to be strong, right? I'm not supposed to let being physically shaken equal being spiritually shaken. I know I'm supposed to trust God and maintain my faith in him and know that everything's going to be all right. But when I prayed for it to stop, it didn't. It still hasn't. Intellectually, I can deal with it...But emotionally, I feel abandoned and heartbroken.

I'm supposed to be the strong super-missionary who goes and does what needs to be done and never says a word of blame to God. At least, that's what I feel like I need to be. Again, intellectually I know this isn't true, that the way I feel is natural and normal, and that God loves me in spite of my weakness...An aftershock hit. A bit one, strong enough to make me stand



CRASH Volunteers

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and think about grabbing my panic bag to go downstairs. I prayed, "God, make it stop, please just make it stop." I made myself say, "I trust you" but the words were sour in my mouth. I felt like there were still residual tremors. And then I had this moment of realization: the ground had stopped; I was the one still shaking...

Omochanomachi is around 100 km (approx. 60 miles) from the troubled Fukushima power plant. In that first week, the explosions and the fires left us all wondering how much worse it could get...I also dedicated myself to helping in any way possible. I asked Pastor Rick Chuman, "What can I do? I want to help." He told me to see what I could do about volunteering with CRASH Japan (Christian Relief, Assistance, Support, and Hope). I started my work via the internet, and as early as March 12th, I had found my niche: someone posted on the facebook asking for a bullet-point prayer list for Japan...In the next couple of weeks, it would be translated into eight other languages and spread all over the world...I wanted to go to Tokyo to volunteer in person with CRASH. After discussing the options and praying, we all agreed that I would leave (for CRASH) the next day.

### Kevin & Nozomi West, Aichi-ken, Christ Bible Seminary (written by Nozomi)

It has been a little over a month... A peaceful and affluent country suddenly turned into a place filled with sorrow, distress, ruins and rubble. I was at the grocery store when the quake struck... Then I looked around, and everybody was standing still with terrified faces. When it stopped shaking, I immediately left the store and ran home to be with my husband. We turned on the TV...We were stunned by what we saw... I could not believe what I was seeing.

However, we were gradually coming into a clear view of the situation. The circumstances were much worse than any of us imagined. I would watch the news and cry day after day. Like so many others, I felt helpless and was at a loss in piecing together God's sovereignty and mercy. All I could do was pray from the Psalms. But I knew God was trying to communicate something significant with us. I began to ask what He wanted me to do for my people who were suffering and broken only a few hours away.

While officials were advising lay volunteers not to enter the devastated areas, some of our missionary friends stood up and started taking actions anyways. We knew that many were desperately waiting for help at this time. Under the leadership of these missionaries, local churches in Nagoya and other parts of Japan started col-

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lecting relief items and sending them by trucks... Two weeks after the earthquake, we were able to join a team for a several-day trip up to Iwate prefecture. We brought two truck loads of supplies, but had no idea where we would sleep or what we would do. We humbly asked God to lead our way and give us wisdom to help and encourage the people there. It was shocking to see

rows of houses and buildings reduced to rubble. Cars were hanging from power poles, the ground was covered with a supposedly toxic sludge, and the whole city reeked with a strange odor. Yet a church building with a big cross was firmly standing in the midst of the destruction.

Christian volunteers from all over the country had come to the rescue of the church and its city. They had brought all sorts of supplies to provide the needy. There was a wood burning stove outside the church (brought by a pastor from Hokkaido), and people in the community would huddle around the fire to keep warm. This church had become a community center – something I have never seen in Japan. We began to build relationships with survivors. We helped them clean up their homes and their shops, listened to their stories, prayed with them, and even sang a song about God's love to one woman who had lost her husband.

● [kevinandnozomi.wordpress.com](http://kevinandnozomi.wordpress.com)

### Michael & Chris Mason, Sakai International Bible Church, Nara, Japan

I probably don't even need to mention this point. I believe many of you are very keenly aware of the various needs in Japan right now following the 3/11 natural disaster. But despite sounding redundant, I want to ask you to continue to pray for the needs in Japan. The recovery efforts will be going on for years and many are still in need of the very basics. As a church, SIBC has been collecting offering every week and

we are also collecting supplies to get on the truck which leaves for Tohoku twice a week. I (Chris) have been volunteering to help sort supplies in Osaka. Michael still hopes to drive one of the trucks north next month. We are sending one church member, Fifi Young, to help the Be One team in Ishinomaki for 2 weeks. She hopes to leave on Monday. Please pray for her and these other needs.

## Paul Ariga, JEMS Affiliate, All Japan Revival Mission



Japanese Christians praying for Japan

On March 11, 2011 The unprecedented 4th world worst and Japan's worst earthquake & tsunami hit the Eastern Japan. The Japan Headlines read: " I saw Hell", " My daily life was completely destroyed", "Children returning from school suddenly disappeared", "All family members were scattered in all directions". By March 22, Dead Persons: 9,080. Missing Persons: 12,920. Refugees: 237,085 in 46 prefectures.

I just returned from Korea-Japan Joint Convention and at noon I saw the dreadful scene one after another through TV. I cried, and cried. Then I heard the voice of Jesus, " I cried more than you did." Then the word of Bible came. " Jesus Wept. " (Jn 11:35) Here I realized; 1. The Capacity of Christ's Tears. 2. The Occasions of Christ's Tears. 3. The Importance of Christ's Tears. 4. The Practicality of Christ's Tears. Let's depend on Him fully, and be recovered fully in another dimension. There is the time of crying, and mourning, questioning, asking why, to pray, to work, to dedicate, to plan. We will do these things throughout Japan within the total body of Jesus Christ.

## BE PREPARED!!

Rev. John Katagi  
JEMS Director of Strategic Development

We all know that the Boy Scout motto is to "Be Prepared!" It is also a good precept for any who plan to serve overseas as a short-term volunteer. So much of our ability to connect with our host communities will depend on our understanding of their culture, and perhaps more importantly, to avoid the pitfalls that can be caused by cultural ignorance.

The month of May typically begins the second of JEMS' short-term mission cycles. February through April is our recruitment phase. May through June is our training phase. July is our launch and ministry phase. August and September is our re-entry and debriefing phase. According to the calendar, we should be in the midst of our training phase. During this cycle, JEMS staff works to address various aspects of preparation: cultural awareness and adaptation, language acquisition, testimony preparation and gospel presentation, development of prayer and financial support networks and travel planning. It's a lot to learn and digest, but we believe it to be an important part of our bridge building ministries while in our country of service.

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Beside cultural education, there are also foundations set for sharing the biblical message culturally. If we aren't clear in English, we will be completely incomprehensible in a second language. We work to teach our volunteers how to best communicate, both formally and interpersonally.

JEMS purpose in providing training is intended to go far beyond the mission field. JEMS has a strong commitment to the discipling of men and women for service, both overseas and at home. It's our prayer that after their return, these principles of ministry and service will be applicable in the volunteer's church environment. We desire to invest not only in outreach to those in South America, but to reach those among whom God has placed here in the USA or wherever we call home.

Preparation is such a key that the Apostle Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 9 "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air." (1 Corinthians 9:24-26)

This year, in addition to our training staff of Pastor John Katagi and Darryl Wong, we are pleased to

## SOUTH AMERICA



2011 JEMS SA Summer Team (L-R): Justine Morey, Greg Oda, Rosie Yokomizo, Brit-tany Wong, Deborah Hino, Cory Morinishi, Helena Wong, Darryl Wong, Rianna Wong, Shawn Arata. (Not pictured, Pastor John)

welcome Justine Morey to the JEMS South America team. Justine served as a six-month short-term volunteer in the state of São Paulo from June to December of 2010. Upon her return, she prayerfully considered her options and pursued a part-time position with JEMS. She is now in the process of raising financial support for the position. We are blessed to have Justine on the JEMS staff. The team will work in collaboration with local church staffing and leadership.

JEMS has also received one request for a construction team, specifically asking for people who have some experience with painting, construction or electrical at a denominational campground.

One of the local church VBS teams mentioned above is a ministry in partnership with the Free Methodist Church in Asuncion, Paraguay. The leaders, Pastor Koki and Mari Nowada, are asking for a small group of volunteers to work with children and youth. Although it is not required, Japanese or Spanish language proficiency would be helpful. ●

A quiz that the short-termers will be taking during their first training session:

**Brazil's largest city is:**

- a. São Paulo
- b. Rio de Janeiro
- c. Brasilia
- d. Salvador

**The literacy rate in Brazil is:**

- a. 68%
- b. 78%
- c. 88%
- d. 98%

**An inadvertently vulgar gesture to avoid:**

- a. V for victory
- b. Okay sign
- c. Thumbs up
- d. Shaka

**What is Brazil's monthly minimum wage?**

- a. \$325
- b. \$425
- c. \$525
- d. \$625

**What are Brazil's religious influences?**

- a. Catholicism
- b. Pentecostal
- c. Spiritism
- d. All of them

As the activity on college campuses and universities points to graduation and the end of another school year, so too is the focus for Asian American Christian Fellowship (AACF) groups. After a full year of activity including regional activities, large group gatherings with worship and speakers, small group ministries, retreats, campus outreaches, and regional activities (Praise Nights and sporting events), we invite you to join us in the following ways.

Pray for AACF student leaders. In the midst of serving as student leaders, a good number of them are also preparing for graduation. Along with anticipating life after graduation, there is still classwork and personal preparations, especially for our quarter school students. The semester schools will be finished by mid-May. Would you join our students in pray-

**Please be praying for and encouraging:**

- 1. AACF student leaders**
- 2. Campus Ministry staff**

ing for them as they tend to the ministry closure needs as well as for them to be attentive to their personal studies? Some students are also praying about how best to use their summers for education as well as Christian service. Prayer is always appreciated.

Encourage the Campus Ministry staff. The end of a school year is the busiest times, with all the year end banquets, closures and leadership selection processes for the upcoming 2011-12 year. Some campus ministers are praying about encouraging students and even themselves serving this summer with JEMS' planned relief projects in Japan with CRASH. Victor Quon is coordinating AACF students to go, so please contact him at [vic-tor.aacf@gmail.com](mailto:vic-tor.aacf@gmail.com).



Please keep our campus ministry staff in prayer and if you are interested in serving, please feel free to contact the JEMS office at **(213) 613-0022** to inquire about the process. Financial support or a note of wisdom or encouragement is always appreciated and can be sent to the JEMS office to their attention. Finally, of importance for prayer for our campus ministry staff is enough time to work and prepare also for our annual Leadership Training Conference (LTC) to be held again at the Oaks Christian Camp and Conference Center in Lake Hughes, CA, June 12-17, 2011. The AACF leadership of students and campus ministers will gather under the theme of "Altered Paradigms: The Evangelist."

One specific way to do many of these suggestions is to visit the AACF website at [www.aacf.org](http://www.aacf.org). You can learn how to connect to a campus webpage or facebook site, or send a note of encouragement or find information about what is happening on a specific campus. We always have needs for student leaders to participate in LTC and if you are interested in providing scholarships, please contact the office. Again, thanks for your prayers for AACF to finish well another school year. ●

## NISEIS HONORED WITH HONORARY DEGREES AT AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Twenty-four Niseis received Honorary Degrees at Azusa Pacific University during the emotionally charged 2010 Winter Commencement on Dec. 18, 2010. Of the twenty-four candidates, fourteen were awarded their degrees posthumously. Family members were present to accept the honorary degrees. Those who received Doctor of Humane Letters were: Dr. Hideo Aoki, Rev. Victor Fujiu, Rev. Dr. Harry Hashimoto, Rev. Dr. K. Arnold Nakajima. Those who received Bachelor of Humane Letters were: Michiko Fujisaka, Hobi Fujiu, Doreen Iwata, Teruko Hashimoto, Kimi Nakada, Kimiko Kino Oda, Tazuko Kino Kudo, Blanche Nimura, Mari Tanaka and Utako Horiuchi.

Those present who received Bachelor of Humane Letter were: Miyeko Takaya, Shirley Kohatsu (rep. by Ryoko Narusawa), Flora A. Sakato, Mary Miyabe Kajiwara, and Eunice M. Yoshimine. Doctor of Humane Letters were awarded to: Rev. Roy Ishihara, Rev. David Kuba, Rev. Dr. John Miyabe, Rev. Dr. Paul Nagano and Rev. George Takaya (rep. by Roy Takaya).



JEMS is grateful to God and Azusa Pacific School (as it was then known) for those ministers who had a significant part in the founding of JEMS. They were Dr. Hideo Aoki, Rev. Harry Hashimoto, Rev. Roy Ishihara, Rev. John Miyabe, Rev. Paul Nagano and Rev. George Takaya. ●

# JEMS PNW 25TH WARM BEACH CONFERENCE

August 18th – 21 (Thursday – Sunday)

Rev. Carolyn Shimabukuro

*“Created for Good”*

*“For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life”*

*-Eph. 2:10 NRSV*

This is the hidden gem of the Pacific Northwest – the annual, multi-division Warm Beach Conference. It truly is a special time and place to experience God in refreshing and formative ways. Our 25th conference is prayerfully being planned. We invite you to come and share this time together. It is an opportunity for personal growth, precious time with family and friends both new and old. The adult camp has been the guiding force behind the conference, praying and envisioning a conference that would inspire and meet the needs of every age group. Parents of young children are especially encouraged to value nurturing a Christ-centered marriage and family. Nursery care and kids camp parallel the adult camp – so parents are assured that their child is in good hands. Junior high and Senior high youth have the greatest time together. You can see it on their faces as they play, worship and experience time with God and build relationships with one another. During the high school years – it's the optimal time to reach out and invite a friend, cousin or neighbor. Special camp for the developmentally challenged is a “family”. The volunteer leaders and the campers have grown to know and love each other through the years. For many special campers – Warm Beach is what they look forward to all year long!

The Japanese camp is designed in partnership with the grass roots ministry of J x J (Japanese x Jesus). This camp begins on Friday evening – through Sunday. The specific outreach is to Japanese International students who are studying at colleges and are here for a limited time. J x J ministers to 80-100 students on a monthly basis. As the leaders reach out to students throughout the academic year, the relational foundation is laid and many come to camp through their invitation. This year we will have yet another God-initiated development to the conference. There are two missionaries that are currently serving in Japan that have contacted us. It is their prayer to bring a group of Japanese national youth to the United States this summer and included in the trip would be to participate in the JEMS Warm Beach Camp!

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST



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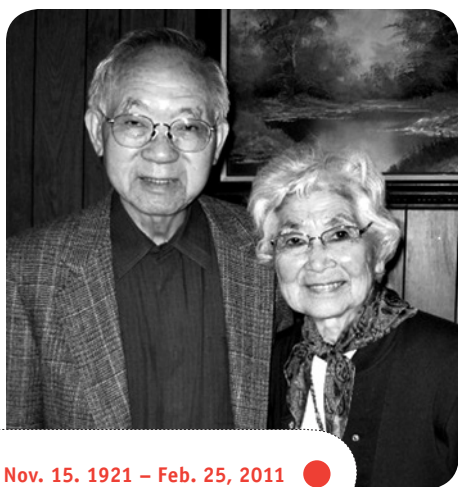
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It is exciting to think of all the possibilities for new friendships and faith for these youth.

We are full of gratitude for all the ways that God's hand of grace has been on the conference in past years and at the same time filled with anticipation and joy as He adds new partnerships, shared service, new and renewed faith and ultimately the furthering of His Kingdom. Each year is unique - we extend a friendly invitation for you to come and be a part of God's design for this year's Warm Beach Conference!

Note: this year we will have an online registration. Please see [www.jemspnw.org](http://www.jemspnw.org) ●

# IN MEMORY OF REV. ROY KATASHI TAKAYA



Rev. Dr. Sam Tonomura, Former Exec. Dir.

The Reverend Roy Takaya was one of the Founders of JEMS and original member of its Board of Directors, at the time JEMS was incorporated in the State of California in 1951. He served as the Home Secretary during 1955-57; and was actively involved as a board member over ensuing years.. As late as 2002, he traveled monthly from Camarillo, CA to the JEMS Headquarters in Los Angeles providing wisdom, perspective and guidance for the new Sansei leadership.

I especially appreciated Rev. Roy's ability to analyze the issues, implement change, all the

while maintaining the historical perspective, purpose and mission of JEMS. He was very supportive of missions to South America by approving the pastor of his church to work part time with JEMS as Director of Development for Missions to South America.

Rev. Roy's evangelical faith, love for missions and passion for pastoral ministry will be long remembered. Memorial service was held in Camarillo, CA on March 11, 2011. He is survived by his wife, Miyeko and daughter. ●

## LET THE CAMP COUNTDOWN BEGIN!

Cynthia Tsushima, Mount Hermon Youth Camp Coordinator

We have received an abundance of registrations for the 62nd Annual Mount Hermon Summer Conference. Currently all of our youth camps are full and there are "wait lists." The camp directors (Kevin Cho- Jr. High; Joel Nagatoshi & Kacy Kumai- Inter High; Jon Tanamachi- Senior High; James Shu-College) & their staff are hard at work preparing, training & praying for camp. On May 7th we held our JEMS training day at Evergreen SGV for all the camp cabin leaders, and in the evening conferees & camp staff gathered to worship & prepare their hearts for camp at the Mount Hermon Pre-Rally.



## MAY WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?

We are planning to use this option for receiving the JEMS Journal, prayer letters, and notification of events. This will assist JEMS in reducing mailing costs (paper, envelopes, printing, postage and staff time) Please make your selection on the enclosed slip and return to JEMS in the enclosed envelope. Thank you....

With camp less than two months away, please join us in praying for Mount Hermon. Pray for the camp directors, the camp staff, the speakers & all the conferees. We look forward to sharing testimonies about the great things God will do this summer through the ministry of Mount Hermon. Don't forget to save the date for the Youth Post-Rallies:

**So Cal Post Rally- Aug. 6 at Wintersburg Presbyterian Church. 7PM**  
**Nor Cal Post Rally- Aug. 13 at San Lorenzo JCC, 7PM**

## NICHIGO MOUNT HERMON CAMP (PART OF MAIN CAMP)

Akiko Inayama, Nichigo Ministry Coordinator

If you are interested in attending the Nichigo Mount Hermon Camp, please contact JEMS as soon as possible. The registration forms are available on the JEMS web site or by calling JEMS at 213.613.0022. The speaker for this camp will be Rev. Nobumichi Murakami, from Sakado Christ Church of Saitama, Japan. ●

# 2011 CALENDAR

(Call 213.613.0022 or go to: [JEMS.org/General Events](http://JEMS.org/General Events) for registration and info)

● **May 21**-NorCal Men for Mission Tourney for Missions at Franklin Canyon G.C. Hercules, Calif.; 8:30 AM Breakfast; 10am Tee Off- For registration and info: [JEMS.org/General Events](http://JEMS.org/General Events)

● **June 3**-Annual Mount Hermon Scholarship Tournament at Los Verdes G.C.; RPV, CA., 8:30 AM Breakfast; 10 AM Tee Off - For registration and info: [JEMS.org/General Events](http://JEMS.org/General Events)

● **June 12-17**- AACF Leadership Training Conference - Oaks Conference Center, Lake Hughes - For registration and info, contact the AACF Campus Ministers or call JEMS at 213.613.0022.

● **June 26-July 2**-Mount Hermon Conference (main/family, nichigo, jr high, inter-high, college, special) [JEMS.org/Mount Hermon/Reservations](http://JEMS.org/Mount Hermon/Reservations) for registration, bus, health forms, and camp maps.

● **August 6, Sat.**, - SoCal Post MH Rally, 7pm, Wintersburgh Presbyterian Church, 2000 Fairview, Santa Ana, CA 92706, (714)740-9400. Directions: <http://www.wintersburg.org/index.cfm?section=directions>

● **August 13, Sat.**, - NorCal Post MH Rally, 7pm, San Lorenzo Japanese Christian Church, 615 Lewelling Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94579 (510)483-9455 (E), (510)483-9470 (J)

● **August 20**-JEMS Softball Co-ed OutreachTourney - Wilson Park, Torrance, 2 Divisions, 16 teams, 8am-6pm. Entry forms will be available in June.

● **Sept. 2**-Annual SoCal Men For Mission Tournament for Missions at California Country Club, Whittier, CA; 7:30 AM Tee Off.

● **Sept. 24, Sat.** - JEMS Craft Fair with "Live" Music, 10AM-3PM, JEMS Office, Pre-Christmas Shopping! Interested craft artists, please call 213.613.0022. JEMS General Fund-raising event

● **October 8, Sat** - JEMS SoCal Ladies Luncheon, Wintersburg Presbyterian Church. Guest Speaker: Jill Akemi Rogers. Directions: <http://www.wintersburg.org/index.cfm?section=directions>

● **Nov 3-13 (revised dates)** - 4TH Holy Land Tour "walking where Jesus walked" - If you are interested or tentatively interested, please call Rev. Sam Tonomura at 213.613.0022 or email to [samt@JEMS.org](mailto:samt@JEMS.org). Rev. Cory Ishida (pastor/teacher) and Rev. Sam Tonomura will co-lead. This 10-day tour includes attending service at Rev. Peter Tsukahira's Messianic Church and participating in a one-day intensive study of Israel at the Study Center in Carmel. Unfortunately, extended 3-day trip to Turkey where Apostle Paul established churches is not possible this time. It will be arranged independently in 2012 or 2013. Additional info to follow. Make your reservation for the Holy Land by sending in \$300 per person, attention to Rev. Sam Tonomura. There are just a few reservations left. Call 213.613.0022 now!

## DONATE Your Vehicle to JEMS & EXTEND the life OF YOUR CAR!



At the time you donate your vehicle to JEMS, you may select to support the Building or General Fund of JEMS, one of the ministries or support the work of staff workers, Your gift will extend the life of your car through our ministries.

Vehicles, trucks, RVs and boats, running or not, ARE accepted in the Southern and Northern California. Free towing and processing of DMV paperwork is provided. Please call JEMS 213.613.0022 for additional information or to donate your vehicle today!



## RETIRED NIKKEI MINISTERS

The Retired Nikkei Ministers meet monthly at the JEMS office for fellowship throughout the year. Once a year, they organize a banquet with a speaker. On Feb. 10, 2011, the speaker was Rev. Dr. Sam Chetti. Those in attendance at the luncheon at the "Golden Coast" in Alhambra were: Back Row: Rev. Paul Nagano, Derek Unoura, Rev. Sam Chetti, Rev. Masaya Hibino, Ted Izumikawa Middle Row: Rev. Nick Iyoya, Ms. Kiku Nakamura, Rev. David Unoura, Rev. Roy Takaya, Rev. Ray Narusawa, Rev. Paul Nakamura. First Row: Rev. Sam and Ms. June Tonomura, Ms. Mary Unoura, Ms. Susan Unoura, Ms. Miyeko Takaya, Ms. Sally Tsuneishi, Florence Nagano, Ms. Ryoko Narusawa. ●

## OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Pastor, Japanese Church of Christ, Salt Lake City, Utah - Contact: Steve Fukumitsu, [www.jccslc.org](http://www.jccslc.org). 801.274-0288.

Part-Time Youth Director, Sturge Presbyterian Church, San Mateo - Contact: Ken Okazaki

Submit resume and cover letter to [resumes.sturge@yahoo.com](mailto:resumes.sturge@yahoo.com). A growing youth ministry with 20 youth who meet regularly for worship, fellowship, service, missions and outreach. 2-3 years of youth ministry experience is preferred, but not required. Refer to [www.sturgepc.org](http://www.sturgepc.org) for additional details of the position.

Youth Director- Cornerstone United Methodist Church, Placentia - Contact: Pr. Jerry Owyang, 714.528.3068 or refer to [www.c-umc.info](http://www.c-umc.info) for additional details. Develop and grow UCM's youth group for middle/junior to high school through bible study, outreach and youth-oriented activities. Offering good compensation and flexible hours.

## JEMS MISSIONARIES AND AFFILIATES, ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS

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Josh Sasaki-Music, Japan

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Just as we are so thankful to all of you who have given to Japan, I also want to thank all the faithful supporters of JEMS. We have had a lean few months, but understandably so since many people have been giving to Japan. As we go into the summer months, please continue to keep us in your prayers. Thank you again for all your support!

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