Todd and Jayne Fong – For The One Percent

"For the One Percent" is the newsletter of Todd and Jayne Fong, JEMS missionaries to the 1% of Japanese who are Christians in Japan. Our mission is to serve and encourage Japanese Christians with our spiritual gifts so that they may in turn reach out to the 99% of their nation who do not know Jesus Christ.

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Dear Mary,

Japan is a country that has four distinct seasons and because of this, the change of seasons is an important event. Approaching mid-September, the oppressive heat of late summer is a fading memory and cool nights means pleasant days to walk or ride our bicycles. September is also the start of the school year at CAJ, where Jayne and the kids are adjusting to life at a new school. So far the transition has been pretty easy for all of them. Jayne's co-workers have been supportive and the kids are making new friends and enjoying their new classes and activities. Today, Jeremy ran his first high school cross country track meet and placed very well considering



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Prayer Corner

Financial support update:

We are currently fully funded! Any additional support will remain in our account and can be used for unexpected ministry expenses and future travel between the US and Japan. the difficulty of a longer course with more hills.

Now that the rest of the family is on a regular schedule, I have been able to develop a language study and practice schedule as well. I spend parts of 3 days during the week in formal study: speaking, listening, reading and writing. I vary the type of study I do to keep from getting bored and so far, I think it is working well. The other two weekdays are used for ministry, which has largely been helping our new church and other ministries with photography and media production. So far, I have created a video for our youth pastor's hiking ministry, photographed and created a multimedia project for a mothers and toddlers ministry that is hosted by our church, and helped a fellow missionary cover a media event for his blog posting and perhaps a future magazine article. As my gift of photography becomes known through these projects, more requests keep coming in for help.

Speaking of photography, I have been able to walk with my camera often in the past couple of weeks, partly because the family has a regular schedule and partly because I am mentoring both Jeremy and our pastor's son in photography and taking walks with them. In this month's newsletter (and future ones), you will see some of the fruit of those walks.

We have also had time to minister to "The

Praises for a smooth start to the new school year. Jayne and the kids are all enjoying the community at CAJ and making many new friends.

Praises for Todd being able to connect with many new local ministries and to be able to serve using his photography skills. More and more opportunities are opening up in this area.

Praises for a cool end to the summer season. Late August was brutally hot for us and there were some days we didn't even want to leave the house. September has been beautiful and makes it easier for us to get out and do things.

Please pray for everything to go smoothly in the transfer of the van to our name. It has been a long process and a lesson in patience in dealing with Japanese bureaucracy. We are nearly done though!

Please pray for each person in our family as we individually learn the Japanese language. We are all at different levels and getting instruction in different ways, but our goal is to

One Percent", Japanese Christians living in our area. We try to keep part of our schedule open to meet with homestay students, missionaries and other Christians we have met over the years. We want to encourage them, pray for them and remind them that they are not alone as followers of Christ Jesus.

Blessings, Todd, Jayne, Jeremy and Ayumi



Rikko Kai: Returning to Roots

Rikko Kai was a Tokyo school founded by Christians over 100 years ago but lost its way. Now, with the help of our pastor it is returning to its roots. Full Story.



Everyday Japan: Yakitori

You might think of yakitori as grilled chicken on a skewer, but for many Japanese businessmen, it represents a chance to relax and be themselves. Full Story.

speak, read and write at a literate level in the next 2-3 years. Each of us is dealing with the task of acquiring language in a different way as well. Pray for discipline in studying and practicing for each of us!

Please pray for discernment in ministry opportunities as they come up and for the Lord to make his will for us clear in terms of where we should spend our time.

Please pray for opportunities to share the gospel with friends, students, and family. Pray that the Holy Spirit will use us when we don't have the right words.

Please pray for financial wisdom: long term plans for our house in California and whether or not we can and should visit California next summer.





Getting Into A Groove

Learning to live in and love Japan requires us to learn and appreciate the language and the culture of our new home. This past month has afforded us opportunities for both. Full Story.

Supporting Our Ministry

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