

*Serving U.S. Military Families in Japan*

## THE MCKITTRICK FAMILY

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Dear Pastor, church and praying friend,

Greetings from Tokyo! We arrived safely back home in the middle of January and have hit the ground running... once we got over our jet-lag.

Our furlough finished very well. We were able to visit a final few supporting churches and then the Lord also opened the door to present Military Missions in two new churches. We praise the Lord for the new support partners gained during this furlough and for the faithful supporting churches! We are eternally grateful for your care and love and only eternity will reveal all the fruit to your account!

Our final Sunday in the States was spent at our home church, Gethsemane Baptist, in Radford, VA. What an excellent church! They love us and we love them. There were many tears shed after that last evening service. I think the toughest part is watching our children weep over the friendships they made in the short time we were there. The 14-hour plane ride back to Tokyo went great. Everything was on time and all our bags arrived. Thank you for praying. About one hour into the trip, Silas asked me if we were almost there... I told him, "Yeah, just 13 more hours!"

Since being back on the field we have been busy.

We held our annual Valentine's Banquet on Valentine's Day. Eleven couples attended and we had a great time. There was food, games, an encouraging message, and the "not so" newlywed game. The church roared with laughter! Please pray for your military families stationed overseas. They face many unique challenges and we know God can meet all those challenges when we allow Him to have first place in our marriages. Someone said: "Want a bad marriage? Put yourself first. Want a good marriage? Put your spouse first. Want a great marriage? Put God first."

We also went to 'Snow Camp' in February. A godly American man owns a Bible home up in the mountains about 2 and ½ hours from us. We left on a Thursday morning and spent two days fellowshiping and playing games and throwing snowballs. Many of our folks were refreshed and enjoyed the time. There was only one foot of snow on the ground and it was 55 degrees but it was still enough to have fun!

We have had several visitors and returning visitors since we've been back. One visitor is a young man named RJ. He is an Air Force maintainer and has been attending our Wednesday night services for about a month. He doesn't really have a 'church' background and I am praying for his salvation. Would you join me in praying for RJ to be saved?

Also, please pray for this coronavirus situation. Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe just shut down all Japanese schools through March to help prevent the spread of the virus. The US Forces Korea, our military neighbors to the west, just suspended all travel to and from the country to help prevent the spread of the virus. We went to Joyful Honda yesterday to buy groceries and there was a very, very, long line of people waiting to buy toilet tissue and facial tissue. They were rationing them out: one package per adult. So there is an element of panic in this area from the complications arising from the spread of this virus. Our family is well. Please pray for the virus to get under control and for the health and safety for us and those around us.

Again, thank you for all you do for us. Please continue to pray for us to reach many souls with the gospel of Jesus Christ! May the Lord bless you.



Sweetheart Banquet



Silas, Asa & Titus



Phebe in the snow



Snow Camp

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