



*Merry Christmas!*

Dear Elkview Church Family, Thank you so very much for your love + prayers for us + for the Japanese souls! Looking forward to reconnecting w/ you guys next time!

I pray that this letter find you well. 2025 brought a big transition to our family, as we moved from Saitama to Nagoya in August due to my ministry relocation. Thanks to your prayers and the Lord's grace, we've been doing well amid big changes!

Please note our new field address:  
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 Nagoya, Aichi 458-0815 JAPAN**  
 Please come and visit/stay with us!



Though Nagoya is a large city, where we live is at the south-east border of the city, and it's not nearly as busy as the central part of Nagoya. I joined Logos Community Church, a 5-year church plant work that my friends began. Though the church plant is not easy, and it has lots to do in order to be well established for a more effective ministry—especially for reaching out to unbelievers, the Lord has blessed the church with the leadership team, and He continues to add more believers here. Because of this, our move to Nagoya was smooth, and I feel the Lord's leading us here.



Enjoying Tokyo Skytree

In November, I completed the membership class, and became a member of Logos Church. I began serving in its Sunday service by preaching, musical worship leading, service leading, and teaching in youth/kids classes.



Joe, Noney, and Mr. Koso from Bethel Church visited us and stayed here in November. A good fellowship time :)

Toshiki (7) and Subaru (just turned 5 on the 21st) are doing great! Though they miss their friends/-schools in Saitama, they are making new friends, and they like their schools here too.

*For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us;  
 And the government will rest on His shoulders;  
 And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
 Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.  
 Isaiah 9:6*

May that Savior whose birth (even with his death and resurrection) we celebrate in the Christmas time richly bless you and sustain you in 2026!

With love;  
 Naoto, Toshiki, and Subaru Funada