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Dear Praying Friends,

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Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people. 1Chr 16:8
 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever. 1Chr 16:34
 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. Ps 30:4
 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1Cor 15:57
 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; Eph 5:20
 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD...let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever Ps 145:21
 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is,
 the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. Heb 13:15

We shared these verses yesterday together at our missionary thanksgiving fellowship dinner. We praise God for so many things and the list definitely does not end there. We trust you have a blessed thanksgiving and know you will rejoice over what God has done for you today and in the past year. We have two specific praises:

Mr. Matsuda who was saved one year ago has been prevented from being with us weekly because of his teaching job and he has allowed distractions to get the best of him. Ken weekly tried to get with him and even searched the school each week when he was there to see him. Two weeks ago that goal was finally accomplished and the next day Mr. Matsuda came in the evening. He returns to his mother and grandmother's house each weekend in a town 2 hours south of us so is not here on weekends. That is why we know this midweek Bible study time with him is so important. Pray that he would continue to make time to not only be in study of the Word himself but to be here for continued discipling.

Tomomi Inafune, the young lady who lives next door with her family. She was saved about 6 years ago during our summer English field day activity. She attended services fairly regularly until she graduated from high school and got a job at a restaurant. Since that time she rarely had Sundays off. We had been praying again about talking to her about her walk with the Lord and God gave that opportunity on a rare day off about 2 weeks ago. She brought up the subject herself which was an even greater answer to prayer—saying she would be quitting that job at the end of the fiscal year (March 2006) so that she could not only spend more time with her family and help them (they are fishermen and she is the only child) but also be able to attend more Sunday services. She said she is reading her Bible daily and we assigned some more reading for her. Thank you for continuing to remember her in prayer, too.

Our **yearly Christmas evangelism** will be on December 18th in the evening. As we pray for each other to be used of God in this special time of year, may our special programs only reflect the Saviour who came to give Himself for us. Unfortunately, our Sunday School children have dropped off again so will not have any young people involved this year. Thank you for praying that our program will reach some mind and soul with the true meaning of Christmas. Mrs. Tokumaru's first openness was a result of the Christmas program that she brought her daughters to because the oldest is one of our English students. We trust that many of these students will attend. We also tell the true meaning of Christmas via a related Gospel presentation at the English class parties we have later in December before the winter one month break. We will be handing out invitations and putting out fliers for the Christmas evangelism program. We look forward to what the Lord will do through this.

The first Sunday in November marked the 20th anniversary of this local church ministry of evangelism here in Teshio. We appreciate and value your prayerful and faithful support for the ministry the Lord has put us in here in Teshio, Hokkaido, Japan.

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Just A Prayer At Night – your evening is our daytime