

**Ken Board**  
**Missionary to Japan**  
**November, 2016**

**Trip to the States** My two-month trip to the States started off quite stormy when a typhoon and I decided to go to Tokyo the same day. After one cancellation and a very bumpy ride, I was able to make it to Chicago and then on to Tampa the next day. I visited six churches and spoke nine times including two messages at Japanese services.

**Amagi Anniversary** The last Sunday in October we celebrated the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Amagi church. The church began in the home of Brother and Sister Inamoto. Sister Inamoto was attending another church in town, but she knew enough about the Bible to know that the doctrines of that church were not Biblical. She contacted me about the possibility of starting a church in Amagi, so I began making the 90-minute drive to their home every Sunday night and Thursday night. Now, 30 years later, there is a nice church building and a Japanese pastor. One interesting fact about the church is that Pastor Yoshizawa is blind and three other members of the church are blind.

**Christmas Evangelism** As always, this time of the year will be a very busy time at the Kokura church. The last Sunday in November we shall decorate the church. The center of the decorations is a manger scene that attracts a lot of attention. We shall be busy the first part of December distributing flyers announcing our Christmas services. On December the 18<sup>th</sup> we shall put on a special Christmas program at a nearby park, and on the 23<sup>rd</sup> we shall have a candlelight service. We have the candlelight service on the 23<sup>rd</sup> instead of the 24<sup>th</sup> because the 23<sup>rd</sup> is a holiday (the emperor's birthday) in Japan. The activities will culminate with our special Chest of Joash Offering for church property on Christmas Day.

**Prayer Requests** 1-Pastor Ishikawa of the Chofu Baptist Temple will be the special guest speaker on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for God's blessings. 2-A Japanese pastor for the Kokura church.

**Thank you for the support of \$100 in August, \$100 in September, and \$100 in October.**