

# JOSHUA & AMY DURDEN

BIMI MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN



## BIMI

### MISSION AGENCY

Baptist International  
Missions, Inc.  
Chattanooga, TN  
[www.BIMI.org](http://www.BIMI.org)

### SENDING CHURCH

Lakeside Baptist Church  
Clearwater, SC  
Pastor Tad Marshall  
[www.besidethelake.com](http://www.besidethelake.com)

CARRYING THE CROSS TO THE  
LAND OF THE RISING SUN

### MILES TRAVELED

➤ **42,911**

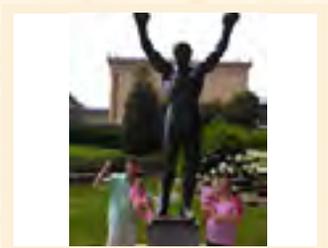
### CHURCHES VISTED

➤ **89**

### SUPPORT RAISED

➤ **46%**

### PICTURES OF OUR TRAVELS ...



July, 2014

Dear Pastors, Partners, and Praying Friends,

June was another month filled with blessings and encouragements from finding out that Amy is expecting our third child to be being in six churches. We were excited to be in Mississippi, Tennessee, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and New Jersey. It was especially exciting to start off the month with our second year of Candidate School at BIMI. During this fun-filled week, we got to see everyone that we were accepted with at BIMI and to hear their deputation stories. Since this was year two for us, I also participated in Church Planting classes. It was good to see everyone at the home office in beautiful Harrison, Tennessee.

We are always excited to see the Lord bringing in our needed support for Japan. We had a wonderful time in each of the churches in Mississippi and Tennessee. During our meeting in Ohio, we were able to participate in the church's camp that included first thru sixth graders from all over Ohio. It was during this time I was able to lead a young man named James to the Lord after the Monday night session. This is always a joy and encouragement for me, not only to lead souls to Christ, but also to see young men trusting in Jesus as their personal Savior. From there it was a joy to be with the church in Pennsylvania. From Pennsylvania we traveled to Virginia to be a part of Grace Baptist Temple's 2014 missions' conference. We were certainly blessed to fellowship with the other missionaries, the conference speaker, and the pastor. From there our travels took us to New Jersey where we had an exceptional time seeing the Lord at work. I was able to preach a salvation message at the Men's Steak Dinner on Saturday night. A man in his thirties named Danni was saved. I talked to Danni and encouraged him and told him to stay close to his pastor. I was able to give my testimony to a combined Sunday School class Sunday morning as well as preach in the morning service. A couple named Kristyn and Jon were both saved. Again, this just thrilled my soul to see the Lord at work. I'm so thankful He is using me. During the Sunday evening service I was able to present our ministry and preach again. It was an honor, joy, and privilege to fill the pulpit at this wonderful church.

July will be a month of rest for us. I fly out on July 5th to Albuquerque, New Mexico to present and preach in two churches. The rest of July will be spent recharging our batteries, seeing family and friends, and making the transition of moving into a new house. We have lived in a single-wide trailer and have absolutely loved it. It sits next to one of the deacons in our church. Since my family has been growing, I knew it was time to talk to our pastor about getting something bigger. Our home church has a mission's home and our pastor mentioned us moving in until we depart for Japan. I praise the Lord for seeing how He continues to provide each and every step of the way. I guess sometimes we shouldn't be surprised because that is just what our God does—takes care of His children.

Please continue to pray for us. Pray that Amy will feel strong and able to continue to travel. She is due January 4, 2015. She has had morning sickness throughout June. Please pray for the new converts that we saw this month. What a joy to see others trust Christ. Pray as Amy continues her schooling online through West Coast Baptist College. We praise the Lord for His goodness as we are at 46% of our support after being in 89 total churches and traveling 42,911 miles. Thank you all because of your prayers and support for us. We love you all and will continue to keep you in our prayers. Have a safe summer and don't be a stranger if you are in the Aiken-Augusta area. May God Bless!

Serving Together With Servants Hearts,

*Josh, Amy, Abigail & Joel Durdan*

Luke 4:18-19

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