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 Prayer Letter

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Dear Fellow Pastors, Missionaries and Friends:

It hasn't been that long since I sent you my August Prayer Letter. With each month that becomes history, we see the Lord blessing our work. Last month was no exception. On August 15th, I celebrated my 62 birthday in the Lord. I never cease to wonder why the Lord saw fit to save me. I was just an insignificant mischievous orphan boy. It was not actually called an orphanage, but in reality it was. The name of the place was "The Southern Home for Destitute Children." Some of the kids had a mother, but not a father. Such was my case. My two younger sisters were also there. Life wasn't easy and I'm afraid I was always being punished. My language was bad and I had to suck the castor oil rag whenever I was caught cursing. However, 62 years ago Jesus became my Lord and Savior and everything changed.

I will never forget the first time I preached 56 years ago on a street corner in Japan. I thank the Lord for these 56 years of preaching the Gospel, 51 years with my wonderful wife Dixie and for my present ministry still preaching, teaching and serving our wonderful Lord. I thank the Lord for using me in the saving of souls. Our Japanese church service is doing well. Now that summer is over I believe the attendance will increase. There are many wonderful Japanese people who are faithful in coming to our services. Please pray for one of our Japanese BBC students who is recovering from an operation in Japan. Pray for 4 people I am praying for who need to be saved.

Last month I had the privilege of preaching at Baptist Temple in Springfield, Missouri (in English). I don't get to preach in English very much. Do I look different preaching in English (see picture)? I almost feel that I am in "little Japan" here in Springfield, since my major work for the Lord is among the Japanese. There are Japanese here who have never heard the true message of salvation, just as there are in Japan. (By the way, did you know that there is a Japan, Missouri?)



Once again I want to thank you for your prayers and any financial support I receive I appreciate so very much and I use it wisely in the work of the Lord. Pray also for my other ministries. My book "And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears" is now in the hands of the publisher. I believe it will be a blessing to those who have lost a spouse.



Remember, **You're SomeOne Special,**

Bill Hathaway I want to thank you for your prayers and interest in our ministry among the Japanese. 有難う御座います。