

## **64+ Years Missionary to the Japanese**

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## Merry Christmas & A Happy 2021 New Year!

Dear Fellow Missionaries, Pastors, Family & Friends:

Greetings from Bill & Margaret, missionaries to the Japanese both here in America and Japan. The picture outlined in RED was taken at my 90th Birthday party. My birthday was Dec. 14th. The party was held on Dec. 12th and many of my family were there. I am not supposed to eat anything with sugar, but I cheated a little. In fact, I even ate a dab of ice cream.



We are so thankful for your support financially and for your prayers. 2020 was an extremely hard year due to both of us going through very painful health issues. Since Thanksgiving Day, 2019 when I tripped and fell on a steel railing I have been enduring extreme pain in my right shoulder. I have had several x-rays, 2 CT scans, 2 MRI's while receiving 4 injections that took a half hour for each injection. Now, the latest ordeal I must go through is physical therapy. As for Margaret, she fell 4 times and injured her right hip. She too, has been to the doctor several times and had 3 or 4 x-rays. She is waiting for her doctor to prescribe the next thing. At 96 years old, this is a very serious injury and the pain is excruciating. So you see, we both are in desperate need of prayer. I believe that prayer is more valuable than support although that is needed too! I must guickly report that despite the pain, I have not slacked in preaching the Word of the Lord in my Japanese services and once so often I get to preach in English to the Grandview Baptist Church where my Japanese services are held.

In addition to those who actually attend our Japanese services each week, there are several who have moved back to Japan They also receive this prayer letter. I want them to know that they are in our prayers. Our attendance is down so we need your prayers that we can reach more Japanese. We have visited the universities and the oriental food markets in Springfield and have left brochures of our meetings and an invitation for any Japanese in the area to attend. The Japanese people here in the USA have the same kind of souls that they do in Japan, so we are determined to reach them.

Please pray as I prepare a 7-week series on the Revelation. Way in the past I preached a 38week series on the Revelation, but I must narrow it down to just 7 weeks. I am enjoying once again digging into this wonderful book that God has promised a special blessing to those who read and those who hear the words of this last book in the Bible.

I never cease to pray for you who support us financially and for you who pray for us. You are special to Margaret and I.

Yours, for a blessed New Year,

Bie Margaret

SPECIAL NOTICE TO THOSE WHOSE LOVED ONE HAS GONE TO BE WITH THE LORD. I have written a book entitled NO MORE TEARS. Contact me if you would like one.