



65+ Years Missionary to the Japanese

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May God's blessings continue during 2022



Dear Fellow Missionaries, Pastors and Friends:

Well, here we are in 2022. Counting this year, I've been a missionary to Japan for 65 years. I praise God the work in Japan still goes on. I still miss my sweet Margaret. She's been in beautiful

*You know...I love you deeply,
Love the person that you are,
And how I love the music
You played on your guitar!*

*It sounded like heavenly music,
As you tenderly played on
your guitar.*

*And your sweet voice
Sang with eyes that
twinkled like a beautiful
star.*

*Your earthly guitar is
now silent,
But you now are
strumming the strings
On your new golden
guitar
While singing to the
King of kings.*

*The Biblical
name
Margaret
means
"pearl."*

heaven since June 4th, 2021. It happened so suddenly. She has relocated to live in the house of the Lord forever. I cannot imagine how wonderful it must be in heaven. It could be that she was given a golden guitar. Well, maybe not, who knows? I wrote this poem about Margaret. I thought you might like it. (I'm not a poet and I know it.)

I have not slacked up in the work of the Lord. I still preach in Japanese every Sunday despite the dreaded covid. In fact, Pastor Gary Longstaff is fighting covid as I write this prayer letter. Several in the Grandview Baptist Church either have had the virus or have it now. Our Japanese service has not been affected by it. For one thing, we always wear masks. Please pray for Bro. Gary. Pray for son Paul & wife Sandy who are just getting over it.

Every day I thank the Lord for my health and the ability to carry on the work. I occasionally hear from my churches in Japan. It thrills me that more are being saved and more churches have started. I want to thank all of you for praying for me. With God's help, I'll keep preaching till I see Jesus.

In Christ,

Bill Hathaway

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