

Isa 45:6 “That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none beside me.
 I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.”

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The death toll from the March 11 quake and tsunami in northeastern Japan rose to 11,532. The National Police Agency says 16,441 others are listed as missing, bringing the number of dead or missing to nearly 28,000.



FAMILY NEWS

All is well at the home front. The children start their spring break today and will be home for ten days. Jake will graduate on May 28 from high school. Jake was offered a job at Pensacola in their book distribution center. His ticket has been purchased, and he will fly to Florida by himself on June 10. It's hard to believe that two of our four children are at college. We will be taking our next furlough from mid-April 2013 to the end of January 2014. If you want to see us, please contact us.

MINISTRY NEWS

Matt will leave for a trip to mainland Japan to meet up with other missionaries on April 11-23, for the purpose of ministering to

Japanese churches that need to be rebuilt and have been affected in the tsunami. We are in the planning stages for this trip.

The church averages about 25 adults in our Sunday worship services. Also, Takashi is taking over the high school young adult's class as of April 2011. In addition, Mrs. Itsuko Shimabukuro will be starting an adult ladies' senior Sunday school class. She and Mrs. Kishimoto have recently retired from their government jobs.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ❖ **Pray** that God will open Japanese hearts to the simplicity of the Gospel.
- ❖ **Pray** for Mr. Tsutomu Shimabukuro to follow the Lord in believer's baptism.
- ❖ **Pray** for Mr. Toshiyaki Shimabukuro, who has diabetes and has dialysis three times a week. Pray that God will continue to meet their family's needs.
- ❖ **Pray** for Mr. Minoru Moriyama to be saved.
- ❖ Pray for God to give Stephanie wisdom on how to witness to her grandma when she visits her for a week this summer.
- ❖ Praise - Jake and Stephanie got jobs for the summer.