

KITAKYUSHU AGAPE HOUSE

GIVES BIRTH TO A NEW MINISTRY

Kitakyushu Agape House (KAH) in Japan started more than a decade ago when one of the members of Rowena Cabrizos' (Director of Agape House Worldwide) core group, Donald Wilson, moved to Kitakyushu. Donald is from the Fiji Islands and came to Japan to do further studies in his medical profession. He later married and his wife Colleen joined in the ministry with him. Most of the people who were ministered to by them were on short-term (at least one-month research) stays. In spite of the researchers' short stays and busy schedules, Donald was able to minister to them and lead them to deeper relationships with Christ.



Colleen & Donald Wilson

One of the couples from this ministry has now returned to Canada, finished a theology degree and is ready to do the Lord's work as the Lord leads them. Another product of Donald's ministry is an American lady who used to be an atheist, but has come to know and accept Jesus as her personal Lord and Savior.



Kitakyushu Agape House Members

The Lord worked amazingly in the KAH through Brother Donald and Colleen, in spite of the number of attendees (six on average) during worship services. Donald and Colleen left Japan in December 2015; this time Rowena has been leading the ministry at KAH.

The ministry has three Japanese regular attendees, along with some other foreign nationals. They have begun a new outreach at the university in Tobata near Kitakyushu and held their first Sunday service at that university on January 29, 2017 in one of the seminar rooms of the research building. Praise God that one of the foreign students was given permission to use the room for that purpose! This student, an associate pastor from Ghana, has taken the initiative to lead the worship service every Sunday, since the location is far from where Kitakyushu Agape House is located.

During one of the services that Rowena joined with the new outreach group, they gave her

the privilege to lead the worship service and enjoy a time of refreshments and fellowship together. The ministry leaders are looking forward to seeing more foreign students joining in the Sunday worship services and anticipate opening a Bible study during the week, especially for the unbelievers. Please pray with them in this exciting journey.

Praise the Lord for the recent baptism (April 9, 2017) of Dee (Fiji Island).



Dee & Rowena

Pray, too, for the commitment and scheduling of a Jamaican lady's baptism.

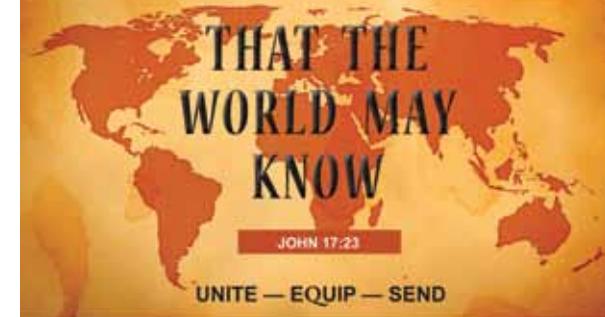
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PRAYER & PRAISE

*Triennial Convention
June 24 - 28*

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"I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me."
(John 17:23 ESV)

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PRAY

1. For the regional superintendents as they help the local churches that need pastoral leadership.
2. For those who will be traveling to Charlotte to attend the 2017 Triennial Convention. Pray for those who have responsibilities for the programming.
3. That the “Bread of Life” mission project will help meet the physical hunger of those being served in a number of our mission works globally. Pray that the nutritious food will open their hearts to hearing of God’s love.
4. For the camps that are happening this summer all across our denomination. Pray for the people who will serve as staff and pray that many will come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.
5. That the Lord would lead the Department of Student & Family Ministries in Resource Center book selections to be offered during the Triennial sessions.
6. That the Lord would bless the Student & Family Ministries departmental discussion at the Triennial to bring about helpful dialogue leading to fruitfulness among kids, students and families.
7. For our two Summer Ministry trainings that will take place this month in North Carolina and California.
8. For our students who will be traveling all summer as part of our Summer Ministries Exchange Program.
9. That our AC outreach leaders will have adequate time each day to spend in prayer.
10. For South African AC Conference leader Alain Don’Tony as he restarts his church’s ministry as a house church.
11. For the African countries where we have churches who have been affected severely by the drought, namely: Malawi, Mozambique, Kenya and Tanzania.
12. For safe travel and good health as Jeff and Penny Vann fly back to the US on June 7.
13. For the Takanini Church members in New Zealand as they search for new church homes. The Takanini Church closed its doors in April 2017 after 66 joyful and wonderful years of ministry.
14. That many will become interested in ministry in the Philippines and Oro Bible College enrollment will increase.
15. That our work in Malaysia would increase.
16. For the Cristo Salva ministry team as they prepare for a trip in July to Honduras. Pray that God’s hands will be in the planning and putting together of the team.
17. For those making final preparations for a trip in July to our Malawi Conference. Pray that their ministry will glorify God.

PRAISE

1. God for recent baptisms: 59 in our Malawi conference, four at the Fellowship of Blessed Hope’s church in Madurai, three with Agape and Care Ministry in Papua New Guinea and eight during Pastor Joseph’s (The Word Mission) trip to Inh, Lahu and Akaham villages in Myanmar.
2. God for wisdom of fathers who have sacrificed much for the sake of their children. As we celebrate Father’s Day this month, may those godly men be honored.
3. God for the ministry of the newly elected president of Berkshire Christian College, Rev. Glenn Rice.
4. God for the rich legacy we have inherited from the faithful believers of past generations. We gratefully and respectfully remember their teachings as we observe Adventual Heritage Sunday on June 16, 2017.
5. The Lord for his guiding hand in finding several Christ-centered engaging curriculum options that we can offer our local churches.
6. The Lord for Jeff’s and Penny Vann’s ministry in New Zealand and for the Piedmont AC Conference in North Carolina for their helpful support of the Vanns’ ministry since February 2015.
7. God for the ministry leaders and their work in Myanmar and for the churches that they have planted.
8. Praise God for the discipleship ministry in the churches of the Philippine Conference (BPACCI), as it is producing much fruit.

Please pray for the following ACGC Directors’ and Coordinators’ Activities

Meredith Broadway, Coordinator of Educational Ministries

- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Pam Buchanan, Coordinator of Women’s Ministries

- June 21 – 22: Annual WHFMS Program Kit Meeting
- June 22 – 23: National WHFMS Board Meeting
- June 24: Triennial WHFMS National Celebration & Business Meeting
- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Matt Larkin, Director of Student & Family Ministries

- June 4 – 9: Summer Ministries Training (East Coast)
- June 18 – 22: Summer Ministries Training (West Coast)
- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Steve Lawson, Executive Director

- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Justin Nash, Director of Communication

- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Dawn Rutan, Director of Finance

- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.

Jeff Walsh, Director of World Outreach

- June 24 – 28: Triennial, Charlotte, N.C.