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LET'S GO!

WELCOME TO BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH OCTOBER 27, 2024

- 9:30 Sunday School for all ages
10:30 Morning Worship (Auditorium)
Children's Church (ages 4-8, LL 3 & 4)

Song *God Is For Us*
Song *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*
Announcements
Song *Come Thou Fount*
Scripture Reading
Song *His Mercy Is More*
Message Pastor Ken
Song *Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*
Benediction

11:45 Quarterly Member Meeting (Auditorium) - Parents please get your children after service so workers can also attend.

5:30 pm Orchestra Rehearsal (Auditorium)

6:00-7:20 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

HELP WITH OUR SHOEBOX DONATION DRIVE: NOW - NOV 3

* **Donate Items for our Shoebox Toy Drive** - Flyers are available in the church lobby with gift ideas or [Click here](#) to access our Amazon shopping list and ship items directly to the church.

* **Sew cloth zipper bags** - There are a few kits still available in the church office with easy-to-follow instructions.

* **Be a Volunteer - Save the Dates for our Events:**

Nov. 13 - Church-wide Shoebox Packing Party, 6 pm

Nov. 18-25 National Collection Week: Bethel is a regional drop-off site for our community again this year & we need volunteers for each daily time-slot. [Click here for full details and sign-up!](#)

Fighter Verse: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ~ 1 Peter 2:24

UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK October 28-Nov 2

TUE - SENIORS AT BETHEL (FORMERLY CALEB'S KIN)- COSTUME COMPETITION 10:30 am in the Michael Room (enter Door #5).

WED - BETHEL MIDWEEK

5:00 PM -PAPA JOHNS PIZZA- **Please RSVP by Tuesday.**

6:00 PM -AWANA, YOUTH GROUP & ADULT BIBLE STUDY

THUR - LADIES' BIBLE STUDY - 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the Michael Room

FRI - MEN'S BOOK STUDY - 6 - 7:30 am in Michael Room

FRI - MEN'S LUNCH - Noon at Maxfield's

FRI - LADIES' BIBLE STUDY - 11 am -12:30 pm in Room 311.

SAT - SIX CELLI & TWO PIANOS BENEFIT CONCERT -

2 PM IN THE AUDITORIUM.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT SPONSORED BY THE JAF FOUNDATION
WITH ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO THE SCS MUSIC PROGRAM.

*with works by Bartok, Grieg, Piazzolla,
Rachmaninoff & Schubert*

Saturday, November 2

at 2:00 PM

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
AUDITORIUM**

PRESENTED BY
THE JOCELYN ARTS FOUNDATION

Admission is free.

*All proceeds benefit the Schaumburg
Christian School Music Program.*

*Six Celli
&
Two Pianos*

A MUSICAL CELEBRATION

Featuring the Artwork of Maud Lewis

Coming Up Soon:

NEXT SUN NOV 3 - PASTOR PANEL: FAMILIES' ROLE IN THE

CHURCH, 6- 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Center. Bring a hearty appetizer to share and enjoy discussion and a time of Q & A. Toddler nursery will be provided.

TUE NOV 5 - ELECTION DAY

Please register to vote in the November elections. Voter guides are available at the Information Desk or online at the Illinois Family Institute: <https://illinoisfamily.org/>



FRI NOV 8 - SCS FIRST & SECOND GRADE MUSIC PROGRAM,

- 7 pm in the Auditorium

SAT NOV 9 - BROS BREAKFAST IS BACK! 8:00 AM Our morning men's breakfast fellowship is now a quarterly event. Don't miss this time of food and encouragement from God's Word . [RSVP here!](#)

MISSIONARY UPDATE: JOYCE OSHIRO (Japan)

In spite of my poor letter-writing, the Lord is continuing to work in my life and ministry in Okinawa. You must be praying—thank you! I was able to visit 13 churches during my summer furlough, with one of the highlights being able to travel with 2 young ladies from Okinawa—Aino and Saaya—for 2 weeks. They were able to share their testimonies and meet many of you as well as enjoy some sights—what a blessing! I know they were encouraged to continue living for the Lord after seeing how well you care for your missionaries (like me!).

After that, I spent the last 2 weeks with my sister June, who hadn't been to the States since she got married in '87, and we enjoyed visiting our relatives in Vancouver (Dad's side) and Hawaii (Mom's side) together. I came down with a fever in Hawaii (fortunately, it wasn't Covid), but the Lord allowed the fever to subside on the day of my flight, so I was able to make it back to Okinawa safely. After a short period of recuperation, I was able to go to our pastor's wedding and play the piano for it. *Thank you for your prayers for*

Pastor Takashi and Mami, as they now seek to shepherd our flock and spread the gosel in Okinawa as a team.

This was our church's first wedding, but evidently not the last. We're now scheduled for our second wedding! Aino, one of the young ladies who came to the States with me this summer, is marrying Masahiro, another young man in our church who loves the Lord, and they will become Mr. and Mrs. Kina on October 26. *Both are praying for their wedding to be a testimony to their families, none of whom know the Lord.*

I wrote in my last letter about a 20-year-old who came to Okinawa and was saved last year. **Jun** has finished her follow-up class and is working on writing her testimony now. She'll be graduating from beauty school in March and leaving to work on the mainland, so wants to be baptized before that. *Please pray for her growth, and that the Lord will lead her to a good church where she can find fellowship to encourage her in her walk with Christ.*

And now, we're excited about another couple wanting to be baptized! **Mr. and Mrs. Arakaki**, a couple in their 80's, live on another island but come to Okinawa occasionally to visit their daughter who's been praying for her parents for years. Her mother had been saved as a young person, but her father finally accepted the Lord, and they both want to be baptized when they come to Okinawa (there's not church on their island).

The other big event this summer has been my sister June's family moving from Saitama to Okinawa! They came at the end of August and now live on the 2nd floor of my parents' house, above me. It was a huge surprise, but *we're praying that her husband and son will come back to the Lord in their new surrounding.* We know our Father makes no mistakes and has plans for them.

As always, thank you. Your gifts and prayers are what make this ministry possible, and I pray that the Lord credits much fruit to your account in return.

Rejoicing in His service, Joyce