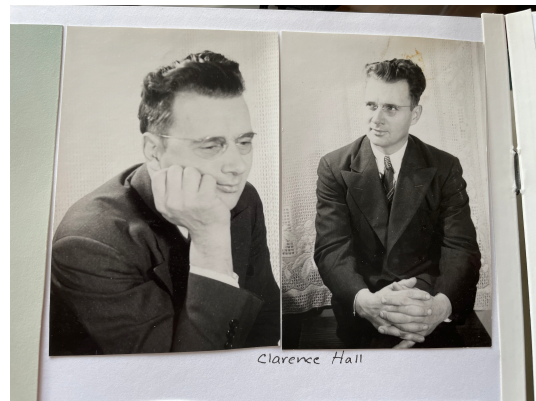




Retreat on Awaji island (May 18-19) with Kobe area leaders including current Bishop Baba (back right) and former bishop Honda (front right). All food was local cuisine. Gene couldn't bring himself to eat the seabream fish head :(



Lunch with friends at Peninsula Hope Japanese Church in Redwood City (May 6). Pastor Toshi & Mika and our dear friends have partnered with us from the very beginning!



I paid a short visit to the church I was dedicated in as a baby (Spangle Community Church was founded in 1882). My grandfather Clarence Hall challenged the members to build a new building because his conviction was that the "House of God" should be as nice if not better than members' homes. It was completed in the winter of 1953. My grandfather passed away just prior in August at age 53.

Hi Friends,

We hope this message finds you well.

Gene is back in Japan and returning to the routine of studying and prepping for the training of leaders in S.E. Asia this summer and fall. Minori has been busy translating for Gene's preaching, disciplining friends in Tokyo via Zoom, and helping prepare for the visit of bishops from India and Rwanda in July.

One observation from Gene's visit to the U.S. was how many churches are

Here is our short video update in English/Japanese.

<https://youtu.be/5HjivjxTwVA>

Enjoy June and the warmer temperatures.

God's richest blessings be yours in Christ,

Gene & Minori

Praises:

1. Praise God for the fruitful time Gene spent in the US. Heartfelt thanks to churches, friends, and family for their love, hospitality, and generous outpouring of support.

2. Praise God for the newly ordained pastors(17) and new pastoral candidates (30) in Nepal!!!

Requests:

1. Please continue to pray for God to work in our neighborhood. May we be able to identify people who are open to studying God's Word.

2. Please pray for Gene's research and writing for upcoming training in S.E. Asia.

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Hi Friends,

Greetings from Japan.

How was your February...is it just us or is 2023 cruising along swiftly?!

Join us on a short tour of the neighborhood and hear about Minori's upcoming opportunity.

<https://youtu.be/iUUCqXVICjM> (English & Japanese)

Thanks for joining us as co-laborers for Christ in Asia.

With heaps of blessings,

Gene & Minori Hall

Praises:

1. A few churches are inviting Gene to share our work with the potential of a partnership.
2. A growing relationship with the Free Methodist Churches in Japan.

Prayers for March:

1. Gene's visit to the U.S. He will be speaking in some churches, training in one, and sharing our work in Asia. Please pray for God's divine appointments. Gene's ultimate goal is to be of encouragement to all he meets. He will also be visiting our children, Mika and Iwao over Easter.
2. Minori's CBS (Community Bible Study) training. That she might consider how to go about starting a study, inviting neighbors, finding time :), and especially for God's direction in all these things.

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