

Minori with her uncle, mother, and aunts. This is the first time in five years that the siblings have met together. They now have an average age of 80, with Minori's mother being the oldest, it is the first time Gene has seen them all together since our wedding over 30 years ago!



Minori joined an outreach event at Sakurai Seiai Church this month. Thirty people attended this very important workshop, with 20 of the attendees being unchurched neighbors. The theme was "End of Life." Japan has the largest percentage of elderly in the world, with 38% at 60+. I guess we now both have officially joined this demographic, so the percentage is growing :).





Gene's friend and pastor colleague, Kenji Niita, and his daughter Hope visited Japan for the first time. Kenji shared a brief testimony at Hiyodoridai Church in Kobe.

Hi Friends,

We trust you are well and enjoying the summer holidays with family and friends.

Above you saw photos of Minori's family as well as seniors attending a special workshop on aging and how to end well. Please pray this very large demographic can be reached with the love of Christ through the Gospel message, so they can truly end life well, and experience new beginnings here and there!

Here is our update for July in English and Japanese: https://youtu.be/9EvxqyaYcRA

Thank you as always for your ongoing prayers and support!

With all our love in Christ,

Gene & Minori

Praises:

1. Praise God for his keeping power and favor over Gene during his recent partnershipbuilding time in the U.S. Praise God for the amazing and generous hospitality shown him.

2. Praise God for new partners joining our work in Japan and S.E. Asia

Prayers:

1. Continued prayer for friends who are battling cancer and other ailments.

2. Pray for encounters with youth and young adults in Japan that result in friendship and discipleship.

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