## A Fresh Start



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"I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland..." Is. 43: 19

Hello from Oita! These couple of weeks I have been getting to know the students of OIS (Oita International School) and becoming more familiar with the area.

Two of my co-workers are Filipinos, which makes me feel just a little more connected with home.

The church I now attend meets on Saturday evenings just before our end of the week English circle. The people who attend this circle after church



HERE: OITA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL (OIS). TOP: TRAVELING FROM THE PHILIPPINES TO JAPAN! MIDDLE: SATURDAY ENGLISH CIRCLE AFTER CHURCH. BOTTOM RIGHT: SAMURAI STATUE AT OITA TRAIN STATION.



are mostly unbelievers, so this is a great way for me to begin building connections with those in my community.

I am also attending a Japanese tutoring program that meets on a college campus. One of my coworkers attends with me when she can.

I want to be careful not to overcommit when I'm just starting out, but I am excited about all these possible opportunities that are open to me!

My church also happens to

come from an international group called Catch the Fire (CTF), which stemmed out of same revival that the stemmed out of Toronto. hit Pensacola, and propelled my family overseas as missionaries to the Philippines where I was raised. It's amazing to see all these connections coming together!

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. I look foward to seeing how God uses all of us to bring His kingdom to the city of Oita, Japan!



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