

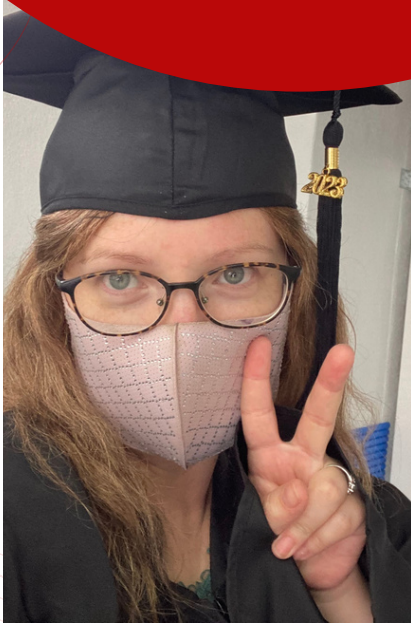
# THE *Pantons* IN *Japan*

NOVEMBER 2023



## Meet the Panton Family

Since 2013, Pastor Cole, his wife Stacie, and their children Kiana and Micah have been serving as Associate Missionaries in Okinawa, Japan.



**After an extremely busy summer** including a move to a new building, 50+ AYC young adults helping, and a trip to Canada, we have not slowed down as we focus on our school after a short summer break. Our little church actually runs the only full-time Apostolic Christian school in the entire nation of Japan! (124 million people) **Stacie received her 4-year Purpose Institute certificate** from graduation years previously. I, unfortunately, was sick with influenza and will have to receive mine another time!

**I am being kept busy** with an endless list of projects for our new (rented) building. We were able to complete a new desk to accommodate more students, with plans for more.

**We recently had an excellent service** with many first-time visitors. At that service, one Japanese lady, the mother of one of our, now, regular saints, received the Holy Ghost! Amen!

**I am learning to play the Sanshin**, a traditional Okinawan instrument, and sing in the Okinawan language. I believe this will be a good outreach tool!

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Our mission project is a testament to "living by faith". We have experienced many miracles along the way, and it is only through God's grace that we have been able to continue. Your daily prayers and support are vital to our success, and we are grateful for them. Thank you, and God bless you all!

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From October to November, were blessed to have Stacie's parents, Pastor Gordon and Mavis Hall stay and visit us. While we had a wonderful family time together, they also kept busy nearly every day helping with building, projects, and teaching to organize our school and church.

In addition to the Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 3:33 pm class, Sunday service and food fellowship, there is always something to do; building desks, cleaning, outreach, Bible studies, Japan is a big field to work!

Over the fall, we were also very blessed by the help of AIMer Makayla Kincaid. While AIMing for Sound Of Praise church, she stayed 1.5 hours north at an apartment belonging to a Japanese family in our church. She was immensely helpful at our school and impressed everyone with her dedication to learning Japanese. We all hope, Lord willing, to see her back in Japan soon.



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