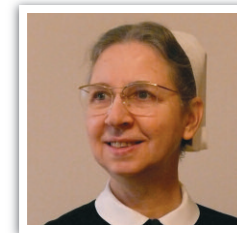


# Taiwan

Short-Term missionaries **Katrin Fingerle** (left) and **Sarah Kuemmerle** (right) went to Taiwan in August for the purpose of helping at **Bethesda ~ Home for Challenged Children and Adults** in Hualien. The first month they stayed in Taipei, taking a survival course in the Chinese language. In early September they moved to **Bethesda**, where they are working in different departments. Pray for them, as they too are challenged by the desire to communicate, but without the ability to do so adequately. They both, however, radiate the joy of the Lord and will communicate the love of Jesus until June 2013.



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I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go into the house of the LORD."  
Psalm 122:1 (NKJV)

Dear friends and prayer-warriors

How great was my joy when I recently saw with my own eyes the lovely newly acquired church building in Sanda, Japan! It had previously been the corner pub where many had tried to assuage their inner thirst and had failed. Now it will become the source of "Living Water" to all in that area who believe. And those who drink of this water that Jesus gives will surely, according to His promise, never thirst again! Praise the Lord!



For many years the Christians in Sanda have shared the living room and kitchen of the rented facility of Sister Gisela Paluch. Through generous donations from Japan and around the world, this older Japanese-style building was purchased at a reasonable price, renovated, and then dedicated on November 23rd. We rejoice with Sister Gisela and the members of Sanda Fellowship Church over this larger more convenient building. Dear praying friends, please continue your ministry of intercession so that many thirsty souls will be satisfied through the water of life they will discover there. Pray for Sister Gisela, as well as all our missionaries in Taiwan and Japan, as they reach out to hungry and thirsty people, and offer them salvation through JESUS!

On behalf of all of us at Liberty Corner Mission, I thank you today for your faithful financial support and for waging the battle against the enemy of our souls together with us.

In Christ and for Christ,  
*Sister Maria*  
Sister Maria Baha  
Director of Liberty Corner Mission

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## Japan



**Andy and Shoko Pfeiffer**

inside they can trust and relate to.

As a snowball grows with each turn, so has the Yamanomachi Church over the last three years. Last month we celebrated the baptism of our newest member, Miss Inori, who was invited by her sister a year ago. In her testimony before her family and congregation, Miss Inori thanked God for the many years of hardships and blessings she had experienced. She

reminded us that she had been diagnosed with severe depression that kept her life in the dark for many decades. It was difficult to accept this challenge but she has now come to the point of praising our living Lord that He never deserted her during those trials.

*Like a snowball that grows larger with every turn, so does our church.*

Miss Inori's words left a strong impression on us, especially on those who are not yet believers. In the last few months, the Lord added a widow in her 80s and a young mother of three children to our circle of friends. There are a number of unsaved family members who attend our services several times a year. We sincerely pray that they too will find salvation.

Like a snowball that grows larger with every turn, so does our church. We know it is not because of our own effort and labor! It is because of Jesus' grace and mercy. ☪

*After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.*

Revelation 7:9

**Andy and Shoko Pfeiffer** serve at Yamanomachi Christian Church in northern Kobe, Japan since April 2009. Though church growth is slow, it is steady!

## Growing Like a Snowball

As a child, I enjoyed rolling snowballs down the side of a snow-covered hill, watching them grow larger with each turn they took. Like a snowball that grows very slowly in the beginning, churches in Japan typically expand at a very modest rate. Japanese people find it difficult to enter an unfamiliar church unless they know a few people



## Taiwan

It always amazes me, how God uses our challenged residents to share His love with others. Sixteen-year-old Wan Yueh comes from a non-Christian home. She is physically challenged, very intelligent and at the moment, seriously ill. For weeks she has been in our local hospital's ICU because of severe breathing problems.

One day a call came from the hospital telling us to come immediately. After arriving at ICU, an excited nurse told me that Wan Yueh had asked her for prayer, but continued, "I can't pray with her! I've never prayed in my life!" When I took Wan Yueh's hands in mine to pray, she asked the nurse to stay with us, so she could also learn how to talk to God and tell Him everything on her heart. Later she asked the nurse whether she had talked to God.

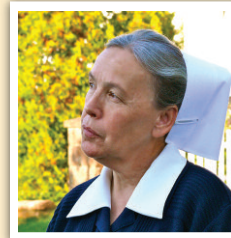
We brought Wan Yueh a CD player so she could listen to Christian music. One day the nurse asked her, "We do everything to make you comfortable, but not everything works. Why do you become so peaceful when you are listening to that music?" Wan Yueh quickly answered. "I need to be reminded that God is with me, and these songs assure me that I am not alone! God IS with me! That gives me peace."

One day she told me she would like to be baptized, if her mother permitted it. Her mother's answer surprised us. "We've known for a long time that Wan Yueh believes in your God and so we respect her wishes." On her hospital bed in ICU, Wan Yueh was baptized. Smiling happily, she confessed her faith. As we sang, peace and contentment were evident on her face. Everyone present felt God's power. A doctor attending Wan Yueh's baptism gave her a Bible and said God has used her to touch his own heart.



friends, thank you for your support and prayer for this ministry! ☪

**Sister Monika Gottschild**, veteran missionary of 24 years, serves the residents and staff of "Bethesda"- Home for Challenged Children and Adults, in Hualien, Taiwan.



**Sister Monika Gottschild**



## Japan

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me."*

II Corinthians 12:9

This year our dear Sister Gudrun Masako Tate celebrated her 50th Anniversary as a Deaconess in the Lord's service. She was one of the original group of women who, together with Sister Karoline Steinhoff in Ishiyagawa (Mikage), Japan, proclaimed God's love in universities, hospitals, and home Bible studies. Twenty-seven years ago, when Motherhouse "Bethel" was founded in Kobe, Sister Gudrun became our first Housemother. Today she is in semi-active retirement, having entrusted her former responsibilities to younger Sisters. For six years Sister Gudrun has been on oxygen. In spite of this challenge she keeps busy.

Empowered by God's precious Word, she strengthens and encourages many people through letters, phone calls and prayer.

Sister Gudrun's relatives joined us for her 50th Anniversary Celebration. Her brother had been an active Christian, but has turned his back on the Lord. Sadly, he prevented another of their sisters from being baptized. We ask you to join us in prayer for Sister Gudrun's family. May God bless the seed of the Gospel sown in their hearts!

Sister Gudrun and some of us Sisters visited Nagasaki Sensei in a nursing facility recently. From 1967 to 1971, she and the late Sister Rita Krohn planted the church in Toyohama, Shikoku, where she then continued to pastor the congregation. We all remember her as a most active and vibrant woman. We were overjoyed to see Nagasaki Sensei's peace, satisfaction, and radiance in the Lord, though she is now bound to a wheelchair! Before we left, she prayed with us powerfully and fervently. Every day she intercedes for each Sister of our Motherhouse "Bethel", as well as for all the missionaries she knows.

For your prayer and gifts we are most thankful! May the Lord's grace be sufficient for you according to His promise! ☪

**Sister Edeltraud Kessler**, veteran missionary of 40 years, ministers with nine Japanese Sisters at the Japanese Motherhouse "Bethel" in Kobe.



**Sister Edeltraud Kessler**

