

# The Shrouts to Japan

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## Newsletter – March 2023

Greetings from Texas!

### Language

We have been studying the Japanese language using Duolingo, as well as utilizing a couple of native speakers who teach Japanese language and culture on the internet. Recently, I was able to have a written conversation in Japanese with a Japanese native about culture, tourism, and good restaurants to try out in Sapporo.

### Opportunities

We are still filling out our calendar, but went to a couple of churches in Oklahoma over the last month. Coming up, we will be visiting churches in Texas over March and April.

### Support Report

This is our first monthly newsletter since beginning deputation, and though we will not have a finalized income goal until after our survey trip, we are currently 25% of the way to our goal of being able to be on deputation full time.

### Prayer Requests

- We will likely be needing to replace our van once we start full-time deputation. Please pray for us as we work out the timing and vehicle choice.
- For a continued smooth transition from my current full-time job in IT as we move further into deputation.
- For wisdom as we plan out and prepare for our Survey Trip to Japan.

In Christ,  
Zack Shrout

*How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? - Romans 10:14*



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