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Esakis in Osaka, Spring 2016

Reaching out to young people and church planters

Genesis Café: Our staff is helping young people improve their English speaking skills and while building friendships. Over 100, 20-somethings have come through our program and most have never met a Christian before. **March 28-30** we have a 3-day English Language Intensive (ELI) for college students. Pray for ELI and Genesis Café. *Praise* that in April two other small, monthly English groups are starting.

3/1/2016 Malaysia, City to City Asia Pacific Renewal Retreat: A time to connect with 100 Asian church planters and supporting ministries. At this meeting Koji presented plans for translation projects. The church

planting and pastor coaching materials will take 2 years with 10 translators: Koji as overseer translator. Hopefully by fall, Koji can assist in training pastors to coach each other.

Other Stuff: In March, Koji preached in a bilingual Bible-centered church in Osaka, Mustard Seed. We are able to invite friends, like Midori and Sachi, and Genesis café friends to this church. *Praise* also for fellowship with 5th floor neighbors, Iwata and Hasegawa-san.

Hana (28) and Mae (25): We miss them living in NYC. Both have good jobs, and Hana is in a Bible study at work. We hope Mae might join her at her other Redeemer small group. Both will visit Japan in May. Pray for this time.