

ESAKIS IN OSAKA

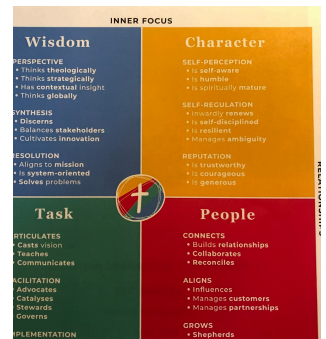


Green tea and *wagashi*, a rice flour sweet: This one was made for plum tree flowering season in Kyoto.

Christian Leadership Framework and the accompanying 365 Survey is an adaptable software that CitytoCity Japan plans to use to evaluate potential church planters. It has been translated into Japanese, and from the available 40 leadership framework skills our group has chosen 10 skills necessary for church planting in a Japanese setting.

The surveys will be filled out by 10 references from each potential church planter, and the answers will fall into those different 10 skill sets. This pioneering tool will be used to screen candidates before acceptance into the intensive church planting training this fall. The feedback we get on each one will play a part in coaching the church planters afterward.

Christian Leadership Framework 360 Survey



I think God is telling me to learn from him.

PRAYER:

Please pray for the participants of our Bible studies: For spiritual fruit for believers that will be visible to non-believers. We have three Bible studies. Two have mixed believers and non-believers, and one is all non-believers—14 people coming. Two studies are in Japanese and one in English. The above quote is from one of the non-believers one month into the study,

Pray for the seven church planters that Koji has been coaching as a Gospel Coach. The church planters from Tokyo to Okinawa have needed patience and innovation to manage the ambiguity of the last two years with Covid.

Pray for the six new Gospel Coaches to be ready to coach church planters this fall. The Gospel Coaches are finishing up their one-on-one coaching practice with a person of their choice. We trust that they have the tools to go the next step to support church planters.



Baby Kai Koji arrived on March 1. He was “breech” until Hana was prepped for her Caesarian section and they discovered that he had “flipped.” A normal delivery proceeded. Praise God!

Please pray as they settle into life with this threesome, which can be challenging!