



Japan: Finding Its Way

In spite of more than a century of prayer and the efforts of dedicated missionaries and national Christians, the soil for the Gospel in Japan remains difficult. The percentage of Christians has not grown beyond 1% of the national population.

1946

*20,000 Christians
in 2,000 churches*



Today

*600,000
Christians in
8,000 churches*



Japan needs more churches. It also needs existing churches to more effectively reach out to their neighbors, which is why Asian Access focuses on developing Kingdom leaders committed to church multiplication and strengthening existing churches.

Japan's 2011 "Triple Disaster" has paved the way for a new season of harvest



*More evangelism
by churches
and members*



*Churches deeply
engaged in their
communities*



*More church planting
efforts by churches
and associations*



*More collaboration
across Christian
spectrum*



*More openness
among Japanese
to the Gospel*



The Asian Access Difference

For the past 20 years, the prevailing view in Japan has been that the typical Japanese church was stagnated and weak; that instead of going outward, we should focus on survival. We did not share this view—we kept pushing outward and forward. One church told us, "If we had not participated in the Network, we couldn't have started the church even if we waited for 10 years. The Network encouraged us to step forward and succeed."

Toward a Fresh Vision for Japan: 50,000 Churches

2015-2017

LIVING IN A LOVE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



Focused Prayer:

Initiate more prayer, from within and outside Japan, targeted toward seeing Japan reached

GROWING AS CHRISTLIKE LEADERS



Missional Partner

Training: *Deeper equipping of A2 missionaries in partnership, evangelism and discipleship in their local settings.*

Business Outreach: *Through three key collaborations, help to reach Japanese businesspeople—the vast majority of the nation's population*

Relationship Central and Alpha/Japan: *Help to reach whole families with the gospel through marriage training and Alpha course*

REPRODUCE DISCIPLEMAKING LEADERS



Pan-Asia Younger

Leaders: *Collaborate with other Asian countries for leader development learning communities to develop young leaders into global leaders*

Coaching/Mentoring: *Provide mentor-coaches for existing and new church leaders to maximize their God-given potential for a discipling movement*

Media Resources: *Develop mobile-based multimedia resources to enhance face-to-face development of leaders*

PLANTING MULTIPLYING CHURCHES



Vision Festival: *60+ key national leaders learning from and encouraging one another to receive God's heart to fill the nation with the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

Post-Disaster Research: *Collaborate with the Humanitarian Disaster Institute out of Wheaton College and Tokyo Christian University through qualitative and quantitative research to understand the impact of mission in disaster*

Nozomi Project: *A micro-enterprise endeavor employing tsunami victims who create jewelry from broken pottery*

2017: Asian Access' 50th Anniversary as a launching pad



Multiple events across Asia and U.S.



Generation of new revenue streams, new partners, renewed vision for Japan across the world

2020: Moving toward the Tokyo2020 Olympics

The Tokyo Olympics are an historic opportunity for the Japanese Church to engage Japan and the world with the love and message of Christ. Asian Access Japan will be involved in outreach, pursuing options for collaboration that an event like this offers.

Your Partnership = More & Healthier Churches in Japan

*Asian Access is seeking strategic partners like you who see the tremendous growth potential of the Church in Japan. Your financial partnership will enable Asian Access to leverage our existing networking relationships across Japan to accomplish the goals listed above. Together we can advance God's Kingdom in Asia. **Will you partner with Asian Access?***