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STARTING A NEW CHAPTER

Ministry team,

It is with great joy that we write this update to you from Okinawa, Japan. We arrived safely on island on May 4 and are beginning the process of moving our life here. We had a crazy, unforgettable month of April as we said bittersweet goodbyes to our two weekly Bible study groups, our beloved little home on Chemeketa Street, and the friends and family in the Salem community who we hold so near and dear to our hearts. Amidst all the craziness, we were overwhelmed with the love and support we've felt throughout this process. Being commissioned and prayed for by our church and our friends was something we will never forget.

As we get our feet underneath us here in Okinawa, our first steps will be directed towards ironing out many of the logistical challenges that come with an overseas move. This includes procuring our military IDs, securing our housing and transportation here in Okinawa, orienting ourselves to the island and Camp Foster (the Marine base we will be serving on primarily), and connecting with the Cadence missionaries we'll be working with, along with some of the key contacts on base who we will be serving.

THE ROAD AHEAD

One of the primary advantages to starting this process now is that our insurance coverage under Cadence kicked in upon our official release to the mission field, a huge blessing as we continue consistent check-ins with the doctor with Dani's pregnancy, and while Jarett's insurance under Corban comes to an end. In June, we will make the trek back the States for Cadence's global conference, a gathering of all Cadence missionaries that last took place in 2015. Since our



baby is due in August (and our doctor has advised against international travel in the third trimester), we will stay stateside until the baby arrives, and then head back out as soon as we have the baby's passport.

We are incredibly excited to begin laying the foundation of our ministry here in Okinawa and feel so blessed by the faithful team of supporters who have helped make this happen. We would appreciate your continued prayers during this transition.

In Christ, Jarett and Dani



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