

# THINK POSSIBLE.



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## Ask...and you just might receive!

Could it be that we limit our prayers to what we think is safe or probable?

—Missionary, Andrew Murray seemed to think so. Well, I thought, why don't I specifically ask for something very improbable. Hmm...how about asking for people to just, out of the blue, show interest in God? And so I prayed it...and then kind of forgot it.

Couldn't have been but a couple weeks passed and things started to happen. First, June was printing an article I wrote, at a business supply store. The owner, knowing we are missionaries, asked if he could have a copy to read. Okay, not such a big deal, but a start. However, some days later a high school boy in our neighborhood came to our house with his mother because both are "quite interested" in the Bible, so I shared my testimony with them at our first meeting. Okay, things seemed to be heating up...

And then days after that a middle age man with serious depression came to us for counseling. Traveling a two hour train ride no less. Although I had plans to specifically address his needs more therapeutically, it was clear he was at a spiritual crossroads. In a previous session I had assigned him to read some positive Bible verses everyday. Now, however, he was clearly plagued with a sense of guilt over personal sin. I had no choice but to set the therapy aside and share the Gospel. Immediately **he received Christ right there in our counseling room!**

One by one God brought them. I didn't go out seeking or doing anything special, but just asked —not even with a lot of faith.

A possibility  
is a hint  
from God.

Soren Kierkegaard



Asking for the improbable, but possible...

A little bonus—during this scenario I preached at Yokosuka Naval Base south of Tokyo. I had heard an unsaved Japanese lady had been coming to chapel for two years. But that day her college-age daughter also came with her. The message centered on what Christ has done for us. June was fortunately with me and after the service she promptly led both to Christ! **Mother and daughter simultaneously new creations.**

Probable in Japan? Not particularly —but evidently possible..

## Family Stuff



Pumpkin cute: Pearl with our two grandkids

Since this picture something terrific has happened, you guessed it, we became grandparents a second time! (This is where you gasp and say, "Grandparents? I cant believe it!")

Wilder Haven Kealoha Doepke was born on the Big Island of Hawaii this January, and June is there now to help out and play a lot with Sedona, our granddaughter, now three. (This where I turn green.)

June will also be on Oahu. Seven Japanese language pastors there are gathering to learn more about our GospelShare initiative. Please pray for a good meeting and possibly an island wide personal evangelism training for Japanese churches in Hawaii! Did you know that more Japanese are actually saved outside Japan, than in the country itself?

## More Family Stuff

Highlight of the winter holidays was our son Evan coming home. Evan has a full-scholarship at Liberty University in Virginia, and is studying business marketing. Needless to say he was starved for Japanese food, after lots of cafeteria grub in the South! We also had a chance to visit a university in Tokyo where he may eventually work on an MBA.

Sophia and Serene are both in the 10th grade at the Christian Academy in Japan, Andy's alma mater. Serene is the tenth Meeko to attend the school (seems like we should get some sort of extra discount for that...)

None of them like school or studying (they all take after their father) but they are giving it a good go (they take after their mother!).

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