

MISSIONARY PROFILE

Richard and Jean Lucas

Career Missionaries to Japan and Asia Military District Missionary # 189 Transportation: Van

Who Is Traveling: Richard and Jean

Rick was born on March 1. He speaks English and Japanese. His missionary involvement includes:

- preaching
- teaching
- seminars on leadership, family, doctrine and prophecy
- loves to do Faith Promise services
- experienced builder/craftsman willing to help with a building project or help a home missionary or a retired missionary with needed projects

Jean was born on July 22. She speaks English and some Japanese.

- ministering to ladies one on one
- prayer
- soul winning

Biography

Called to missions at the age of five and to Japan at age twelve it would take twenty years before Rick Lucas and his wife, Jean, would arrive in Japan as missionaries. The Marine Corps was the first to take him to Japan where he baptized the first of many converts. That first convert today pastors a church in Alabama. Following their graduation from ABI, he and Jean served as pastoral assistants and youth pastor and then evangelized until the Lord opened the door for them to serve as Associates In Missions. On AIM they pastored and taught at the Bible school in the Leeward Islands. After receiving missionary appointment they served as furlough replacements in Guam and Micronesia before finally arriving in Japan in August 1984.

Their appointment began with ministering to the U.S. Military stationed in Asia as Japan was not accepting missionaries to the national church. During the first term they were able to see works opened at four U.S. Military bases in Japan. God also brought some wonderful Japanese

people into these churches and after one term the UPC of Japan agreed to open the door once more to missionaries. The Lucas's appointment was then broadened to include ministry to the Japanese.

In thirty-three years of missionary ministry in Japan they have witnessed many military and internationals from all over the world come to know the Lord. Most exciting to them though has been the wonderful revival among the Japanese. The Lucases have taught Bible school; pastored; opened numerous new works; been involved in extensive writing and overseeing the translation of materials; training and development of leaders and served as general director in Japan for seventeen years. The greatest and most exciting days for the work of God in the history of Japan are happening right now and it is only going to get better as we prepare for the Lord's coming.

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