

JCCT began as a Bible study group in March, 1995, held its first Sunday worship service on December 22, 1996, and since March 30, 1997 holds Sunday worship service at 11:00 a.m. at the Pima County Medical Society Building and has developed many active koinonia groups.

1994 August

Reiko Yoshitani, who was a member of [San Fernando Valley Holiness Church](#), moves from Los Angeles to Tucson.

For the first half year in Tucson she meets no other Japanese, but then is introduced, by Mr. Ando of Los Angeles, to another Japanese woman. Through her, she meets three other Japanese women.

1995 March -April

First meeting of Bible study group in Japanese, at the Yoshitani house. Five people attend. Later on Reiko meets three other ladies and some students in the International Student Fellowship at U of A who lend their support.

1995 6/27-30

OMS Holiness Church of North America, Japanese Summer Retreat in Santa Barbara, CA. 4 people from Tucson attend.

9/30 (Sat)

The first JCCT Worship Service. At the Yoshitani's home, with about 50 people attending.

Message **Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi**, from [Los Angeles Holiness Church](#). (Title: "Vine")

Music: **Mr. Hideo Ando and Mrs. Yumiko Ando**

Interpreting: Yurika Hasegawa

During this period a Bible study group was held every Thursday evening using a room at the First Southern Baptist Church. 8 people regularly attended.

12/2

First JCCT Christmas celebration (at the Skyline Country Club)

Message: **Pastor Rob Yonemoto**, from [San Fernando Valley Holiness Church](#). (Title: "The Desert and God")

111 people attended. In the beautiful Foothills setting, this was a wonderful, spiritual gathering. Pastor Yonemoto's message was particularly memorable.

1996 1/20 (Sat)

Third JCCT Worship Service (at the First Southern Baptist Church)

Message: **Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi** (Title: "Living Water")

1/29(Mon)

Monday night Bible study begins at the Yoshitani's house. They study "The Gospel According to John." 5 people attend.

3/30

First Baptism Ceremony (at Korean [Tucson True Light Church](#)) 2 people were

baptized, 87 people attending)

Message: Pastor Rob Yonemoto

Baptism Service: led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto and Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi

4/12 (Fri)

First Koinonia gathering (joint English and Japanese) at the Yoshitani's home. 11 Japanese and Americans attend.

4/26(Fri) - 28(Sun)

OMS Holiness Conference Renewal Retreat, at Double Tree Hotel, Ventura, CA
All 14 Koinonia members attend.

5/17,18

Workshop: " How to Study the Bible" Part 1 Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto

6/21,22

Workshop: " How to Study the Bible" Part 2 Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto

Workshop: "Koinonia" Led by Mr. Stan Date & Mr. Keith Kobayashi

8/13(Tues)

[Yuri Mori Concert](#) (at the First Evangelical Free Church)

Yuri Mori, a young Japanese gospel singer well know for her work as a singer on NHK TV children's programs, presented a wonderful and inspiring program. After months of preparation and much help by many people, we are able to hold this gospel concert; 300 people attend and it's a great success.

8/24

Second Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto. One person was baptized.

11/28

Thanksgiving Celebration (at Yoshitani's home, 45 people). Indonesian students from the International Student Fellowship joined us for a wonderful turkey dinner.

12/6

Third Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto and Rev. Shunji Mioguchi. 6 people were baptized. Almost all the Monday night Bible study members were saved on this day.

12/7

Second Christmas Celebration (at the First Evangelical Free Church)

87 people attending; JCCT women and children's choir

12/22

First JCCT Sunday Worship Service (at Yoshitani's home)

Until now we have held most of our services on Saturday; though only a few people attended, this was a day to be remembered.

12/31

New Years Eve Candlelight Service (at Yoshitani's home) 22 people in attendance. Beginning Sunday services this past year has made it an especially blessed year; our service this evening reflected our thankfulness, and was filled with the Holy Spirit

1997

2/16 Tom & Linda Kira from the San Fernando Valley Holiness Church gave us a message about faith.

3/1-2

Special Workshop with [Rev. Yuichiro Nakano](#) (Title: " The Family")
Special Worship Service with the Rev. Nakano (Title: "The Holy Spirit")

3/23

Fourth Baptism Ceremony/Communion Service

Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto and Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi 4 people were baptized.

3/30

Easter Celebration Worship Service

The First Sunday Service held at the Pima County Medical Society Building

4/20

Fifth Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto One person was baptized.

5/18

Six Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor Rob Yonemoto Two people were baptized.

6/6-10

Special meetings and worship service with [Rev. Reiji Oyama](#) of Tokyo; individual meetings with Rev. Oyama also took place

8/24

Seventh Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi One person was baptized.

10/26

Eight Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi Two people were baptized.

12/7

First Baby Dedication Led by Rev. shunji Mizoguchi One baby was dedicated.

12/24

Christmas Eve Candle Service at the Pima County Medical Society building.

1998

1/25

Ninth Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi One person was baptized. This month at the Holiness conference Pastor's Retreat, the Pastors discussed the possibility of assigning Rev. Ichibei Honda to our church. This will not be officially decided, however, until the 1999 General Conference. From this time on, Rev. Ichibei Honda has started to come to minister to us and lead our worship service once every other month.

2/24

Gospel Saxophone Concert with Rev. Yoshihiro Kishi and Mr. Kim Yonjil at the Trinity Presbyterian Church. 263 people filled this large church. We are grateful to Trinity Presbyterian, and to the Chinese and Korean Baptist churches for their help in making this wonderful evening of music and testimony possible.

4/12

Easter Celebration Worship Service

Rev. Geoge Toda and his wife came from the Bay area to lead us in worship.

5/29-6/2

Rev. Reiji Oyama led special meetings, Sunday worship service, and Bible study.

6/15-19

The first JCCT Vacation Bible School 22 children attended, and 36 helpers. We were able to use the facilities of the True Light Korean Church. Everyone was able to put their special talents to good use in a fun-filled, first time VBS.

8/16

Tenth Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor rob yonemoto One person was baptized.

8/30

Eleventh Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi 3 people were baptized.

10/17-18

Special workshop and Sunday worship service led by Rev. Tetsuo Kagiwada of the SFVHC.

11/15

Second Baby Dedication Led by Rev. Ichibei Honda 2 babies were dedicated.

12/6

Twelfth Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi 3 people were baptized.

Third Baby Dedication Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi One baby was dedicated.

1999

1/11

Thirteenth Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Shunji Mizoguchi 2 people were baptized.

3/27

Kazunobu Atsumi, a seminary student from LA, came to hold a one-day retreat for college students.

3/28

Fourteenth Baptism Ceremony Led by Pastor Curt Ogawa (SFVHC) 2 people were baptized.

4/16-19

Rev. Reiji Oyama held special meetings, led Sunday Worship Service, Bible study class, and individual meetings.

5/2

Fifteenth Baptism Ceremony Led by Rev. Rob Yonemoto One perspn was baptized.

5/23

Mr. Gary Yamashita, General Secretary of the OMS Holiness Church of North America, gave his testimony at our Sunday Worship Service, and gave a report on the Holiness Conference.

6/27

The First JCCT General Conference

Agenda:

*Introduction to the OMS Holiness Church of North America

*History

*Report on Finances

*Other

11 more people were baptized since 5/2, 1999 until 5/20, 2000.

43 all together were baptized at JCCT between 3/30, 1996 and 5/20, 2000.

1999 July

JCCT welcomed [Pastor Ichibei Honda](#), assigned by the OMS Holiness Church of North America

2004

Pastor Ichibei Honda and his family moved back to San Diego.

2005

We celebrated the JCCT 10th anniversary at PCMS.

2005-2006

JCCT was without a pastor for about seven months. **Rev. Kagiwada** graciously volunteered to come at least once a month to give the Sunday worship service sermons and to conduct the sacraments. Starting from September 2005, he began to come every

Monday and leave the following afternoon. This schedule continued until January. He conducted Bible studies at the rented office and at private homes, and he even allowed for consultation times. Support came from other Conference churches; they sent their ministers to cover some of the Sunday morning worship services. The sermons given by these ministers were usually not translated, but Rev. Kagiwada's messages were given in Japanese and in English, as he was fluent in both languages. The lay leadership covered the remaining Sunday worship services. It was a challenging time, but God provided abundantly, and the church was lifted to a higher level of spiritual growth.

2006 May - current

JCCT Welcomed Rev. In (Jin) Hyun, assigned by the OMS Holiness Church of North America