

# VENTURES

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### VISION

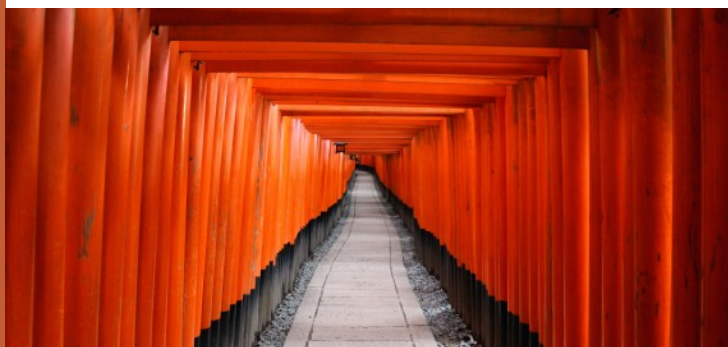
To witness God's kingdom in darkest places.

Christ's love to where He is least known.

### MISSION

To make disciples that will respond to the Great Commission and be willing to go beyond their comfort zones.

To go cross-culturally and be the light that represents Christ, and the voice that tells that Jesus is alive.



Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God.

*William Carey*

## IS JESUS WORTH IT?

Yes! My immediate answer is yes, Jesus is worth it! Yet, this question penetrates deeper and deeper, and I found myself on my knees and unable to say yes.

Is Jesus worth it? Can I give up the future I planned for myself for Him? Can I let go of what I have and hold the unseen promises? Can I walk to the unknown and unfamiliar path to follow Him? Can I deny myself and trust Him?

These questions become a battleground for me, a battle between my desire for myself and my desire to follow God. A fight that I cannot win alone. I tried to run away, I negotiated, I hide, and I am scared. Yet, I witness how God stand with me, and I found myself again on my knees, saying, "Abba, here I am, I am willing. Have Your way."

### *IS JESUS WORTH IT?*

I believe He is! He believes that I am worth it when He was on that cross to redeem my sins.



"Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved."

But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, "How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!"  
Romans 10:13-15

*"When I consider the cross of Christ, how can anything that I do be called a sacrifice?"*  
Amy Carmichael

# Why Japan?

A nation where traditions and technology co-exist simultaneously. They value harmony, honesty and are one of the most hardworking people on the planet that made their nation on the top. They welcome religious activities, yet they are the 2nd largest people group who have not heard the Gospel and have less than 1% Evangelical Christians.

Underneath their stunning façade, their need for the love of Jesus is undeniable. Loneliness, depression, suicide, and decreasing birth rates are some of the social issues the nation is facing.

Most Japanese have never met a Christian, and they never had a chance to know and choose Jesus in their lifetime. Christian churches are at risk of closing as the pastors are aging and fewer young generations are stepping out for Jesus.

The Japanese have been living in darkness for centuries and weren't able to experience God's light.



## Milestones & Updates

### • SIM Global Family

It is official! I am now part of the global family! I started this application last September, and this July, I become an appointee and proceed with SIM training.

### • Official Meeting (SIM & Asian Access)

Finally, after the long waiting, I officially met Robert and Mary Jo from A2 and Bett from SIM, and we discussed the way forward for my application. It was exciting to meet the people who have been faithfully processing and praying, behind the scene, for my application.

### • Project Ablaze

Project Ablaze is a network of young professionals in the Philippines who mobilize young Christians to reach nations that have limited or no access to the Gospel, and we are part of the Alliance for the Unreached. I was invited to join as a mission coach and had the opportunity to meet the Presidents of One Mission Society, Billion.Global & Silk Road Catalyst.

# What's Next

## • Asian Access Application

Finally, I can start my application for A2. It will be paper screening, interviews and once accepted, I can prepare for Vision Trip in Japan and more training!

## • FriendRaising

This Venture to Japan will never be possible with me alone. I need people to Venture with me and be part of what God is doing on this journey.



# Hi, I'm Hanna Rose

I'm 27 years old, and I'm currently working in the United Arab Emirates as an Industrial Engineer, and been in the country for more than 3 years.

On November 8, 2013, my life changed when a super typhoon hit our area, and I witnessed how God protected our lives and properties. A few weeks after the typhoon, my aunt led our family to know Jesus personally, and since then He has been my Savior and Lord.

I saw that the destruction left by the typhoon led people to hopelessness, desperation, hunger, and poverty. I also saw however the glimmer of hope in the eyes of those who heard about the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. When I decided to follow Jesus, He led me to the darkest places. I have witnessed how He brought hope and life-giving light. I met people whose love for God encouraged me to draw myself closer to Him and know Him more.

Now, I felt God is leading me to the nation of Japan. Japan was the nation that I asked for as my inheritance 5 years ago. Although the journey has uncertainties, I'm confident since I have witnessed God's tangible hand as I took infant steps of faith in obedience. Just like the journey of Abraham to the promised land, it was not easy, but I will choose to trust and obey.

## Who are SIM and Asian Access?

SIM is an international mission organization that is serving in over 70 countries. SIM process and send people to go cross-culturally and prepares the workers for the field.

Asian Access is an organization that is functioning in more than 18 countries. They develop leaders to multiply and transform our world. Asian Access missionaries partner with the church in Japan to multiply disciples.

SIM is the sending organization that helps me process and prepares me to be in the field. A2 is the field organization that I will be working in Japan hopefully.

# *Journey with me*

## In Prayer

- **Pray for Japan**

As they are hosting the Olympics, let's intercede over the nation, and pray that there will be encounters as they meet different participants and representatives that represents Jesus.

- **Pray for Me**

To continue and persevere through the process and faith that sees beyond what I see. Pray that I will keep my eyes on Jesus and put my trust in Him.

Pray that my work situation will go well and God will make a way for September and October training for preparation for the field (SIMCO) and cross-cultural worker training.

- **Pray for Workers**

People are dying without a chance to hear and choose Jesus. A third of us have limited or no access with the Gospel at all. Please pray for workers to respond to the Great Commission and give chance to the forgotten frontiers to hear about Jesus.

## In Partnership

Want to know more about my journey in Japan?

Have coffee with me or let's talk in Zoom!



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