

Adventure hitchhiking to Saitama city



Today is the first day of another extended road trip. I hope to use this Christmas season to tell the Japanese people about Christ, and the best way I know how to do that is by hitchhiking when traveling and talking to the drivers individually.

I hitchhiked nearly 300 kilometers in three cars to the Kanto area which includes Tokyo and vicinity. My destination was Noda city in Chiba prefecture.

Two of the drivers went out of their way for me, the second driver, Mr. Tokaji very much so because it meant at least one hour extra of his time. He took me to Omiya station in Saitama City from where I took a train the rest of the way. There is a direct train from Omiya to Noda.

Mr. Tokaji said that he is a religious person. It is uncommon for me to hear such statements from Japanese people. Most say they're not interested in any matters related to faith.

Mr. Tokaji asked many questions about the Bible. He was impressed when I told him that both Christianity and Judaism helped mold Japanese culture from as early as the first century A.D. and that the chant "washoi washoi" that the Japanese say when carrying the *Omikoshi* is a Hebrew word meaning "carry". Only a tiny percentage of the Japanese know of their Jewish/Christian roots.

Total cost for transportation today: 400 Japanese yen.

A Muslim's testimonial of conversion to faith in Christ



A Muslim meets Jesus Christ, the Son of God, in prison!

I was really touched by this young man's message. I showed it to the folks who attend our Sunday evening fellowship meeting. Everybody was impressed. I hope you appreciate it too!

[Eighteen New Age Lies](#)



A friend in America sent me an [excellent article exposing the New Age Movement](#). Dangerous false teachings abound in the world today, and I think many of God's children have been influenced by them unwittingly. The [article](#) talks about Reiki, something a Japanese Christian friend tried to get me sold on. I never quite bought it.

First paragraph of article:

Witches, Masons, Rosicrucians, Cabalists and other leading practitioners of the occult decided in the late 18th century that, if they were to increase their influence in society, they would have to present their beliefs in a disguised form. So they formulated a plan known as the Great Work. By implementing the Great Work they hoped to lure Christians into accepting beliefs which, had they been presented in their true form, would have been

rejected out of hand as the work of Satan.

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