

# Japan

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## Day 4

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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

### Praise Report

Praise God for the resilience of the Church in Japan. Though the number of Christian Believers is small, churches continue to meet and share their faith. Pray for fruit to come from their perseverance (The Bible, 2 Thessalonians 3:5).

### Prayer Requests

Pray that the people of Japan will be deeply unsettled by the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, that they will be shaken out of spiritual complacency and become awake to their need for Jesus (The Bible, Isaiah 42:7).

Some mission agencies and Japanese churches have adopted an increasing focus on the needy rural areas of Japan. Cry out for places where there is no established church, that God will change this (The Bible, Luke 9:2).

### Call to Salvation

Jesus, we ask you to reveal yourself to many Japanese today, softening their hearts, opening their eyes, and leading them to salvation (The Bible, Exodus 33:19).

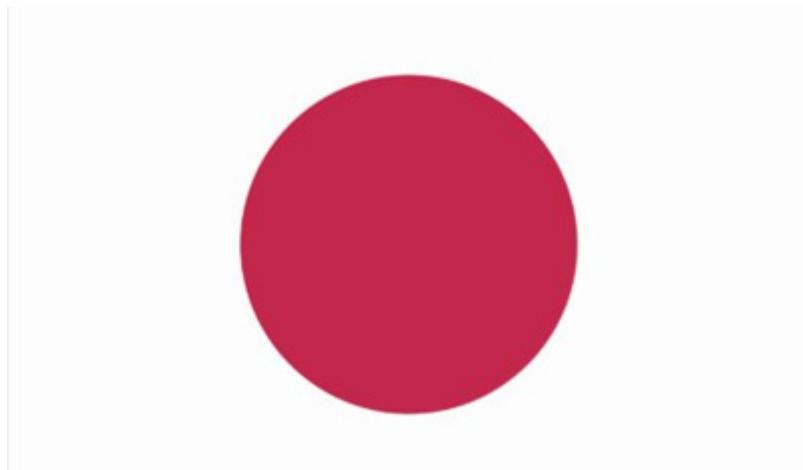
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### MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

An archipelago of 6,852 islands, Japan has the world's third-largest economy and is a major donor to world crises. Three-quarters of the nation's population lives in big cities, together with one of the world's most aging populations has resulted in specific needs in rural areas as young people all move to the cities in search of work. A strong traditional core has been flanked by a progressive younger generation valuing Western culture and ideas. Japan suffers from a high suicide rate, the leading cause of death for those under

30. Fewer than two percent are Christian; it is still one of the world's most secular nations. Seventy percent of Japanese identify with no personal religion, although most adhere to Shinto and Buddhist customs. This year Japan was rocked by the assassination of former prime minister, Shinzo Abe, during a campaign speech. The election was won by the new prime minister, Fumio Kishida.



**CHIEF OF STATE**

Emperor Naruhito

**HEAD OF GOV.**

PM Fumio Kishida

**POPULATION**

126.3 million

**CHRISTIANS**

2.2%

**EVANGLICAL CHRISTIANS**

0.6%

**DOMINANT RELIGION**

Shintoism

**PERSECUTION RANKING**

Not Ranked

**REFUGEES**

12,491

**LIFE EXPECTANCY**

84.74 yrs

**LITERACY RATE**

99%

**POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE**

16%