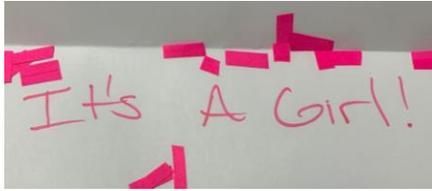




# The Pilalas Family

Missionaries to the U.S. Military in Misawa, Japan

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### It's a Girl!

God has blessed us with two wonderful boys. Now we are expecting a baby girl in October! The OB ward at the clinic let us be surprised in our own celebration at home, and you see their note here. Praise God for the wonderful gifts He has given us!



### Palm Sunday

On Palm Sunday, the children of Faith Baptist Church enjoyed learning about the Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Lynne gave them each palm fronds to remember what happened with the Lord in leading up to His sacrifice for our sins.

This picture shows four-year-old little Jesse on the right with two of his friends in children's church.



### Month of the Military Child

In April, US military bases around the world celebrated the Month of the Military Child. It is an opportunity for us all to think of the youngest people stationed around the world with military families. Along with wearing the color purple (as on the t-shirt print to the left) to show support for these children, the base also had big activities and even parades in honor of military-family children. Please pray for these little ones who share the difficulty of packing up and moving to a new city or even a new country every few years.



### Standing up for Religious Services

As the pandemic has gone on and on, the official responses seem to vary quite frequently as well. As I have mentioned in previous prayer letters, we try to do the best we can to conform to the restrictions as they do not conflict with doing what God has commanded us to do. Earlier this year, a new restrictions graphic came out that had religious services on the "Restricted Activities" side. I decided this was time to push back in defense of our right to meet for worship. The base leadership that I met with were understanding and accepting to the issue I brought up and made the change from essentially an outright ban to a restricted-in-number meeting situation, which was doable. Praise the Lord for American freedoms!

Thank you always for your love and support!

-Jesse Pilalas