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Doctrine: The reality of Christ

Nakayama talked about Christ and the faith.

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Testimony: The father of a death-row inmate

Nakayama introduces one letter sent by the death-row inmate. The capital inmate claimed innocence, but the court sentenced capital punishment for this person. When the condemned convict was trying to commit suicide, this person saw Christ with the cross on the back in the sky. The condemned convict called Nakayama father, but the reason is not written in the volume yet. Apparently, this person had never met Nakayama but someone from Okinawa connected the person with Nakayama.

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Information about the church

■ The writer explains the schedule and features of the Anglican Church, Church of the Ascension.

# The pastor's [Nakayama's] letter

- It summarizes the events in 1956.
  - He exchanged worship with Canon Cowen, Canon Grant, Bunacan,<sup>1</sup> and Dewolf,<sup>1</sup> and held a congregation with pastor Ageno<sup>1</sup> from Sendai, Japan.
  - On March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1956, ordination for a Caucasian congregation was held with the diocesan bishop.
  - □ Nakayama attended a graduation ceremony of Central Theological College for his eldest son, Timothy Makoto Nakayama. He came back to Vancouver and left for Calgary for ordination on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1956.
  - ☐ In April 1956, Nakayama might be in Kobe Japan to attend the 25<sup>th</sup> general meeting of Nihon Seikokai.
  - ☐ In June 1956, he attended the conference for three days in Banff and went SS <sup>2</sup> picnic.
  - □ In July 1956, he conducted outside worship with pastor Yasuo Tazaki in Calgary and Edmonton.

From July 22 <sup>nd</sup> to August 16 <sup>th</sup> , 1956, he visited eastern Canada with his wife as missionary travel.
In September 1956, he attended a thanksgiving party and graduation celebration
party with international students from Japan, pastor Shiro Maekawa, pastor
Sadao Yamane, and Miss Parser. In October 1956, he attended a congregation
held by bishop Demel <sup>1</sup> from Thelon. <sup>1</sup> In November 1956, he visited all believer's houses.
In December 1956, his wife had surgery and stayed in the hospital for 12 days;
however, she was able to spend time with her husband, the eldest son, and the eldest daughter on Christmas day.
His daughter, Nozomi, suffered from a serious illness during her travel to
Vancouver in July and August but she managed to save her life.

### The letter from Divine Love

It explains that 'The Divine Love' was issued by mimeograph until No60 and started to be printed from this volume.

## Footnotes

- 1. Names of people and places may be translated incorrectly. Bunacan may be Buchannon, Dewolf may be DeWolf, Ageno may be Ageya, and Maekawa may be Maegawa, for example, or other variations of spelling and pronunciation.
- 2. It says 'SS's picnic', but the meaning of this is not clear.