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Osaka, Japan
May 11, 1949

Dear Julia & Family,

we received your letters yesterday and enjoyed them so much. I am so glad to hear that Rake and Everett are doing so well with their school and music.

I just put Paul to bed for the night. He only takes one nap during the day now so goes to bed quite early at night. He surely does keep us busy from morning until night. He climbs all over everything and the other day he almost fell head first out of the kitchen window. He is getting a nice tan already. It is really warm here now! and they say that this is only the beginning. Jake will be gone this week and holding services and then next week is going to Tokyo

to contact some important men to see if he can have an interview with the Emperor. He is teaching in the Seminary now two mornings of every week and is still very busy with services. Language is making some progress but it is a slow old process. Joe performed his first marriage ceremony on the 10th.

I am enclosing the negatives which you asked for along with some others. The ones in the envelope were taken on the ship. The picture of Paul & the little Japanese girl is an enlargement of the negative with a clipped corner.

Rev. Haslam will be returning to the U.S. in a few ^{weeks} months as his two year term is ended, so you need not include his name on our

address. He had been quite sick the last few days. He is having trouble with his back and has been suffering quite a little.

I want to wash my hair and bake bread so must close this letter and get to work. The Lord is helping us and we are all well and happy. we are expecting to see parents again next Dec. so I get tired easily and don't seem to accomplish much. However, I have felt real well and only hope that the summer months will not be too difficult. we get a vacation for several wks. in July. we are hoping that the Lord will give us a baby girl but cannot decide on any girl's names (do you have any suggestions?)

Love to all,

Florence, Joe & Paul

(P.S.) we faintly heard from the little boys yet?

(P.S.) John's bed arrived so we are alone again
goodbye!

Dear Everett and La'Vae
May 5th was boys day in Japan.
Every home where there is a boy
hangs a big fish on a pole. On
the top of the pole is a sprig of
pine. The pine + the carp
fish both stand for strength.
Then they also display dolls of
the ancient Japanese warriors
I had two of them. Down stairs
they have a real armour which
was worn by their ancestors. It
even had blood on it. Mommy took
Kenji's picture with it on and
also some pictures of me. If
they are good I will send you
one.

I have about 8 gold fish
now. I had lots more but
daddy killed some by putting
them in the bath tub with me
and I squeezed some to death.
I like to play marbles,
ball and go for rides with
daddy in the car. The children
next door have a fuzzy puppy
named John - I like to play
with him too. Love
Paul