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Dear Folks,

Paul is sleeping and Jake is out with his loud-speakers announcing tomorrow nights [sic] Youth For Christ Service. Mrs. Parsons and I are to give the messages. I am going to use a felto-gram [sic] of the Good Shepherd.

It is a great responsibility as we are expecting over 300 people to be present. Pray for these services which are held every month!

The box arrived safely several days ago and every-thing [sic] is just fine. Thanks so much. The shirt is a little large for Paul but will be fine for next summer. I have most of the plans made for Paul's party and the invitations are already sent. It is such a busy time with services and study that it is hard to find time for extras. I am going to make ice-cream, cake and

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cocoa.

We are all feeling fine now  
but get tired rather easily. Paul  
keeps us going from morning  
until night but is surely a  
ray of sunshine to us. We can  
hardly wait for the baby to  
arrive.

We received a nice long  
letter from the Frenchs [sic] the other  
day and heard about Colleen's new  
baby girl (born on Bro. French's  
birthday.)

Tell Margaret thanks for the  
balloons + books. I'm sure that  
the kids will enjoy them. I'll  
try to write her a letter soon,  
my correspondence list is so  
long that I doubt if I ever  
get to the end of it. [sic] We had some  
pictures taken the other day  
and if they turn out good will  
have them stamped on a Christmas

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folder along with Holiday Greetings,  
news letter [sic], birth announcement  
etc. – Received some cute  
color slides of Paul the other

day – perhaps we'll get one developed  
+ send to you.

We are having beautiful  
weather. I hope that it continues  
for a long time.

It is rice-harvesting time  
in Japan. They have a very  
good crop this year. I expect  
that we will eat a lot of it this  
winter as potatoes are scarce  
in the winter time [sic]. The last  
few weeks we have been eating  
Japanese mush-rooms [sic]. They  
grow abundantly on the mountains  
near here. Sometimes I roll  
them in egg + flour + fry them  
and sometimes Setsuko fixes  
them Japanese style (cooked with  
rice, green onions, chicken etc.) and  
sometimes steamed with chicken,  
shrimp, choyu [shoyu] sauce, eggs etc. in  
custard cups) [sic] we like them

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very much.

I must close now. Am  
enclosing a few snaps. They  
aren't very good but at least  
they are of us.

We surely did appreciate the  
booklet which Aunt Mary sent.  
We think of her + the others  
so often – greet them all for  
us.

Love to all

Florence, Jake + Paul

We have prayer meeting tonight,  
services tomorrow night + Friday  
night, etc. etc. - There seems  
to be no end of the opportunities  
for service to the Lord. We are  
happy + well + the Lord is Blessing.