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Osaka, Japan

Aug. 1, 1952

Dear mother,

Happy birthday! I don't know whether this will get there in time or not. I have wanted to write sooner but we had mission meetings and then we have been gone the last two days.

Jake got home from Tokyo on July 21st but then had to work for several days balancing treasure books. All of the missionaries came on the 25th so we had lots of company but a good time of fellowship together. The Lord helped in the business mtgs too. Besides our missionaries one of our Free Methodist Chaplains who is stationed in Korea was with us. He has made arrangements for Jake to go to Korea in October for several weeks services. He will hold services for both G.I.s and Koreans.

Last Sunday Jake left again for 8 days of tent meetings at Akashi. I took the boys and our maid and we went down to see him yesterday. It is about 2½ hrs. from here by train. Jake met us at the station and took the boys swimming in the ocean. We had dinner at the church. In the P.M. we took the boat over to Awaji Island and visited the Bullis. We stayed with them over night and came back today so feel quite tired not so much from the trip

as from the heat. It is surely getting hot here now.

Next week we plan to go to Holiness Camp and after that will have about 2½ wks. for vacation.

I am feeling fine but can't get much done in this heat. The boys are fine too. I'm glad you liked the



pictures. Yes, Johnny is a blonde. Paul's hair is getting a little darker all the time. They are getting anxious for the arrival of their little sister.

I got Margaret's card and money the other day. Wish that we could be with you for your birthday.

Love,
Bruce, Paul & John