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Richard Lucas felt called to missions in Japan at age twelve. The Marine Corps was the first to take him to Japan, where he baptized the first of many converts. Richard and Jean then served on AIM, pastoring and teaching at the Bible school in the Leeward Islands. After receiving missionary appointment, they served as furlough replacements in Guam and Micronesia before finally arriving in Japan in August of 1984. They first began ministering to the U.S. Military stationed in Asia, as Japan was not accepting missionaries to the national church. During the first term, they were able to see works opened at four U.S. Military bases. Finally, the UPC of Japan opened the door once more for missionaries. The Lucases have taught Bible school, pastored, opened numerous new works, been involved in extensive writing and overseeing the translation of materials, training and development of leaders, and served as General Director in Japan for seventeen years.

